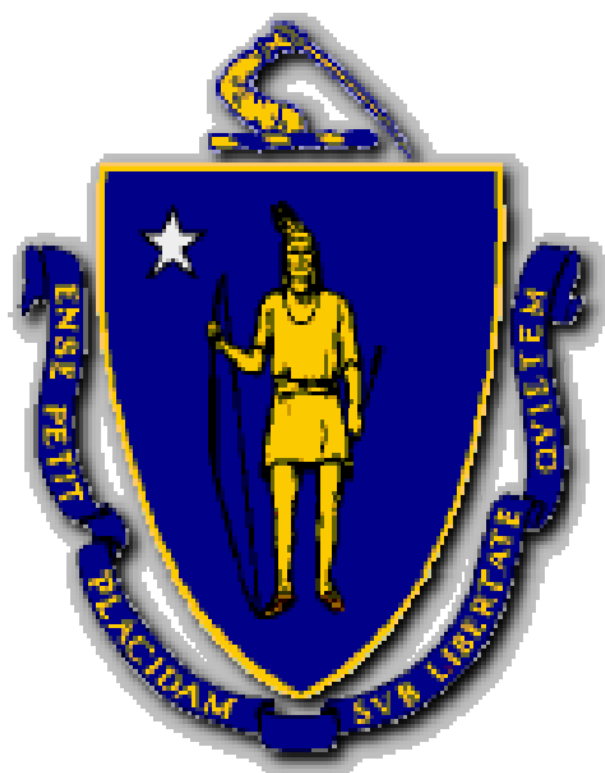


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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report continues to provide an analysis of the data on all admissions, releases and the resulting cumulative difference per quarter – as well as quarterly snapshots of the population. The first quarter (January – March) of 2011 reflected the highest population counts compared to the previous three quarters. The increase in total population grew 2.2% from the fourth quarter of 2010 to the first quarter in 2011. This increase can be attributed to admissions outnumbering releases resulting in a cumulative increase of 163 inmates by the end of March.

By the end of CY2010 admissions, in general, were relatively low; during the first quarter of 2011 admissions increased among all commitment types, detainees (awaiting trial), civil commitments and those criminally sentenced. By March 2011, the monthly admissions count was the highest in at least twelve months at n=951 inmates. Simultaneously, there was a steady drop of inmates being released, particularly among detainees and criminally sentenced releases December 2010 to February 2011. March 2010 showed an increase in all types of releases, including those civilly committed.

Having a tremendous impact on admissions outpacing releases during the first quarter of 2011 was a trend within the criminally sentenced population, an increase among male parole violators as well as a sharp decline among male inmates paroled. This shift in the flow of parolees returned to and released from the Department also significantly impacted the proportion of inmates being released with criminal justice supervision. Almost half of criminally sentenced inmates released in the first quarter of 2011 had no post-release prison supervision, which far surpasses the proportion of inmates with no supervision in previous years ranging from 37-39%. This was another direct impact of the decrease among inmates being paroled.

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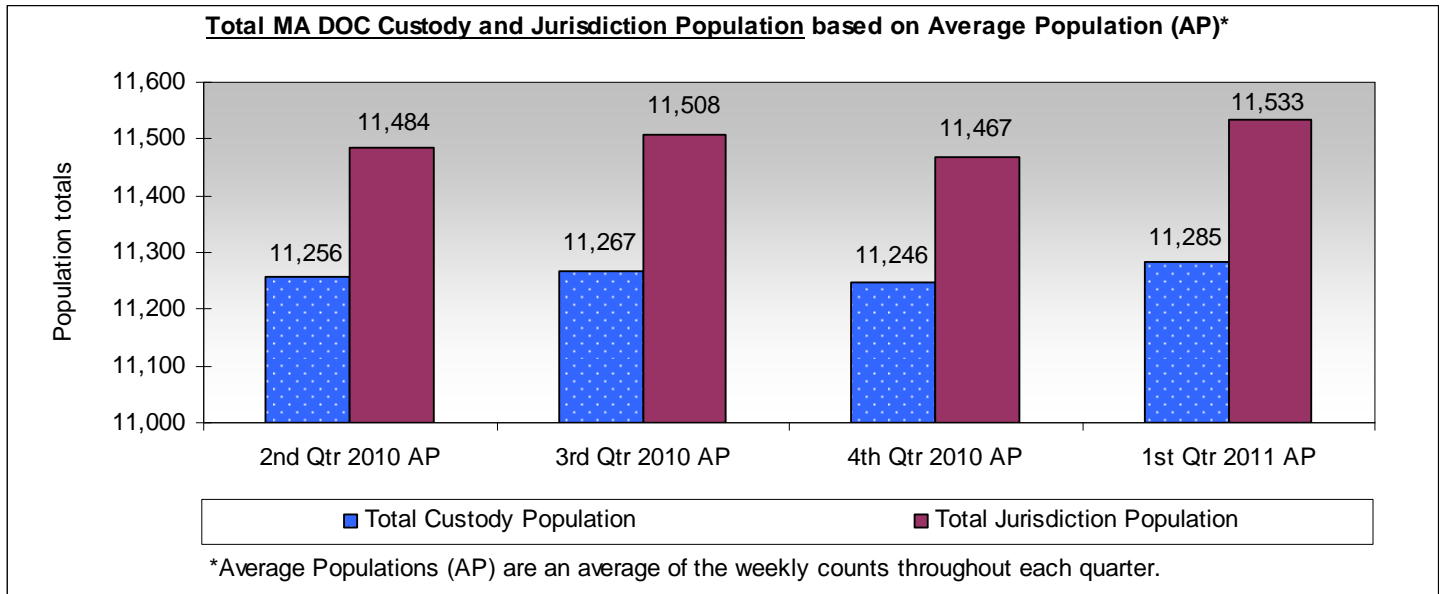
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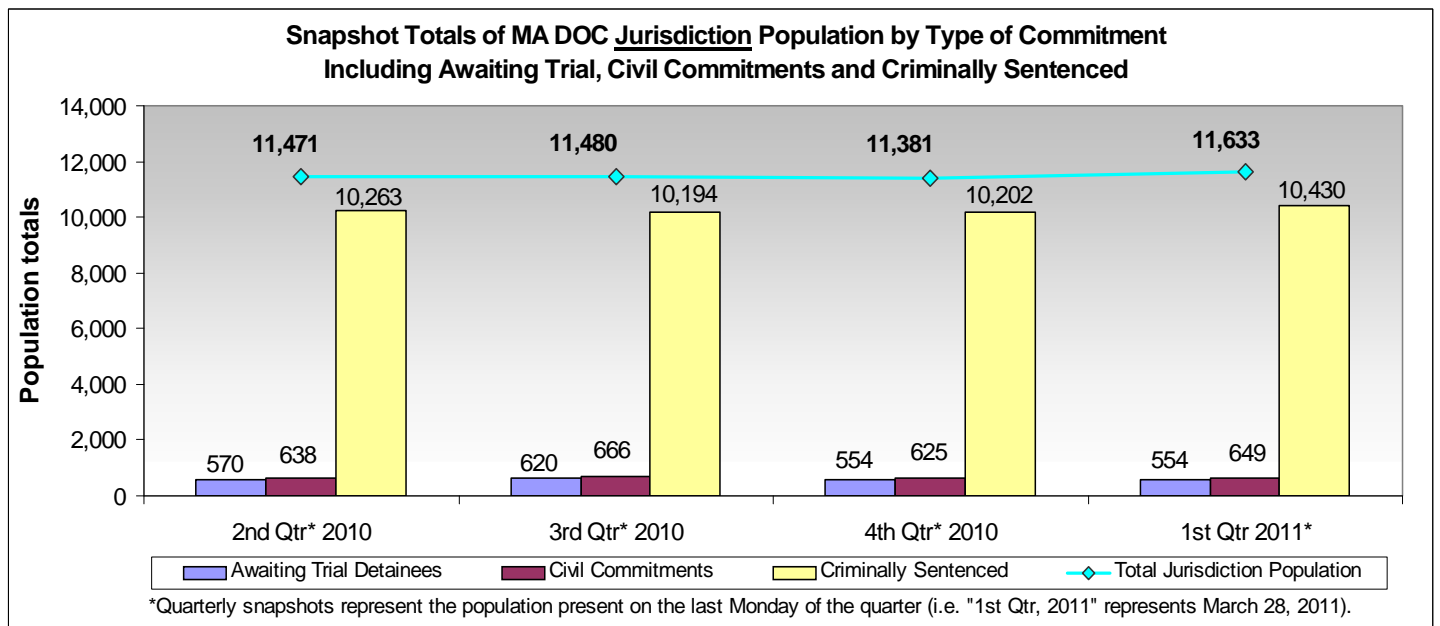
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1.1 Total MA DOC Custody and Jurisdiction Population



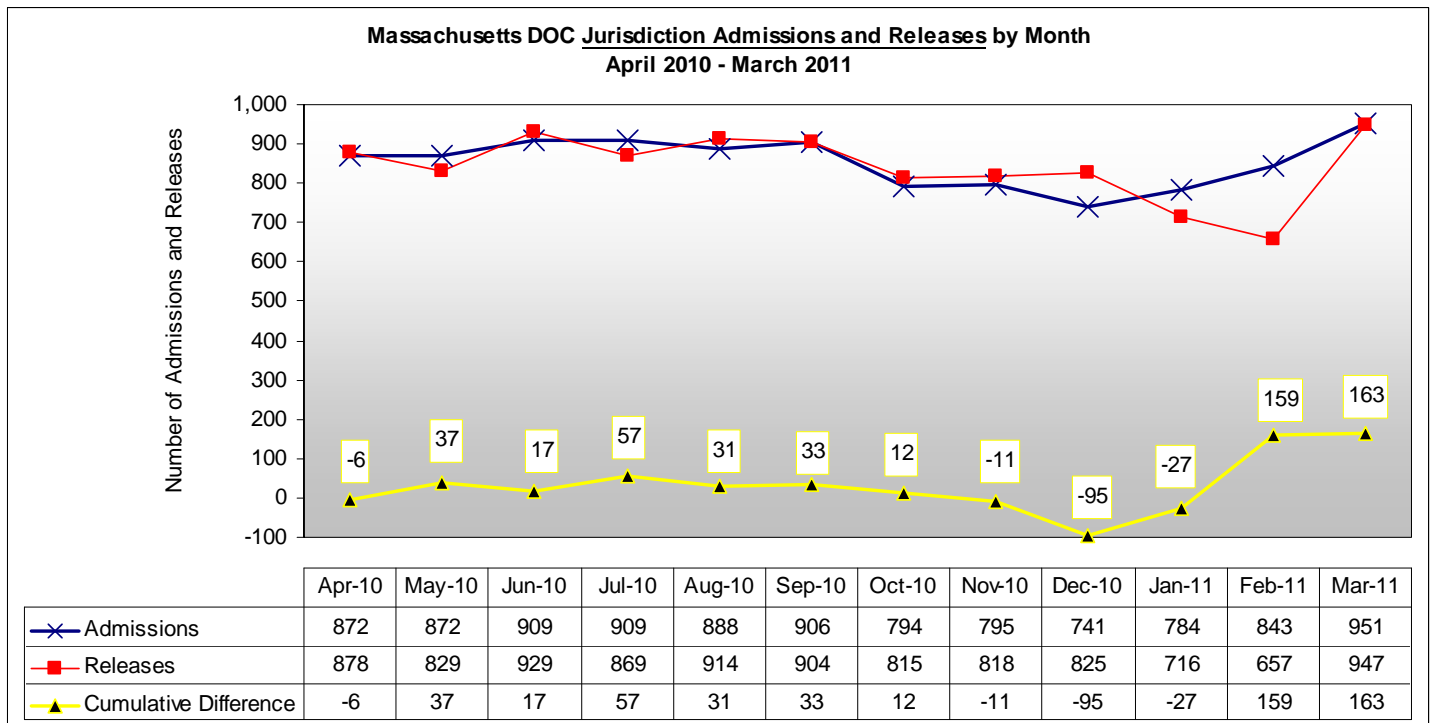
The average quarterly jurisdiction and custody populations in the Massachusetts Department of Correction increased slightly in the first quarter of 2011 compared with the last three quarters of 2010. The current jurisdiction and custody populations increased by less than one percent from the previous quarter.

1.2 Snapshot Totals for MA DOC Jurisdiction Population by Commitment Type



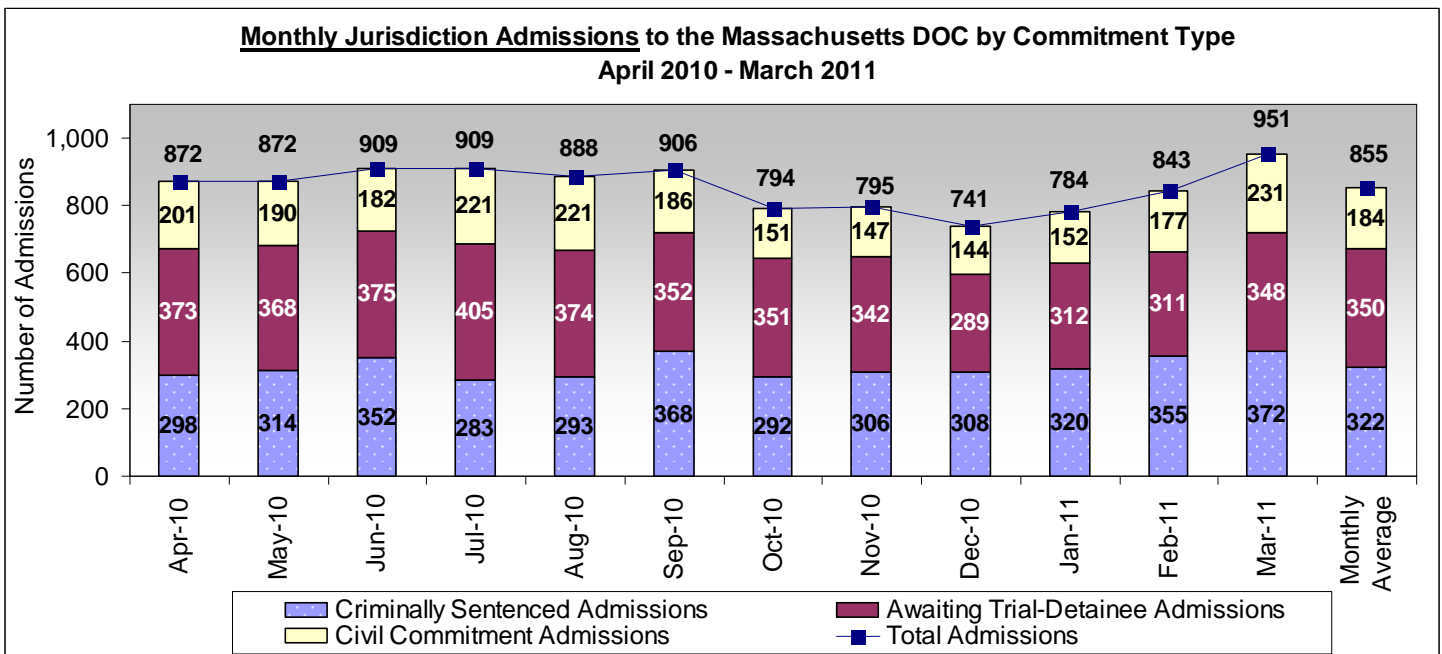
Quarterly snapshot data over the trend period showed fluctuation amongst civil commitments and awaiting trial detainees; however, the most notable change is that the criminally sentenced population has increased two percent over the last three quarters, from 10,194 to 10,430. The first quarter of 2011 reflected the highest total snapshot jurisdiction population over the trend period; between the last two quarters there was an increase in number from 11,381 to 11,633 representing 252 inmates or a 2.2 percent increase.

1.3 MA DOC Total Admissions and Releases by Month



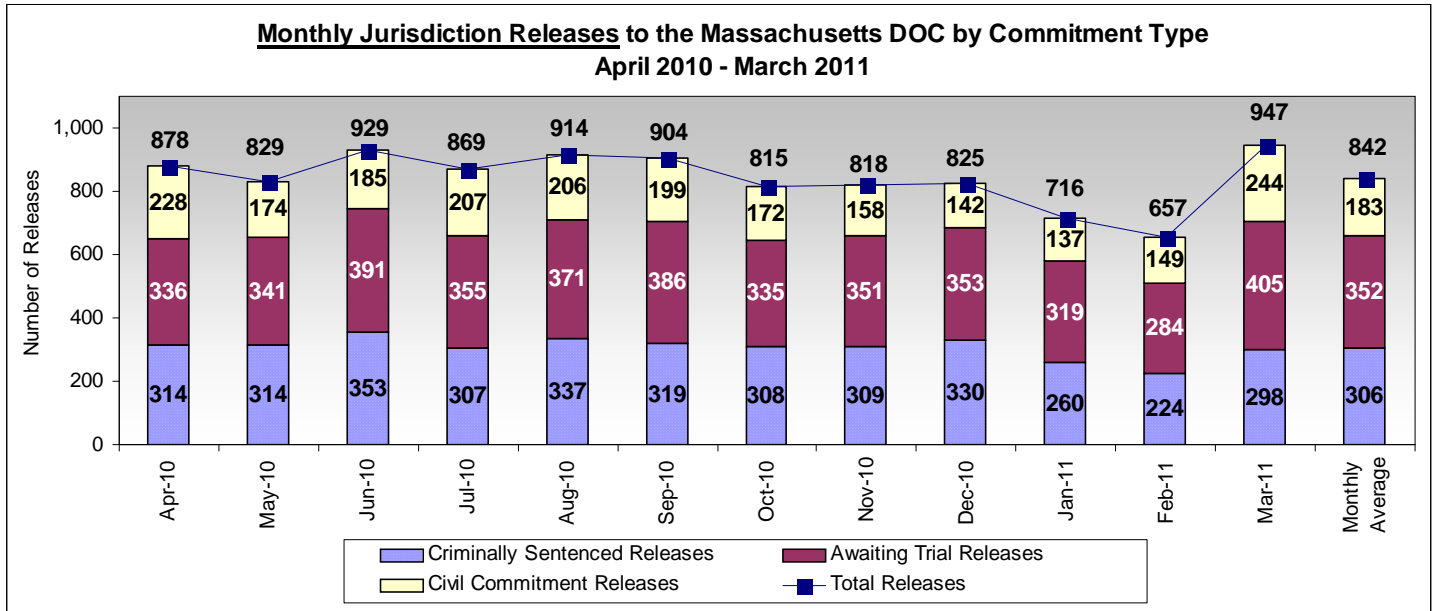
From April 2010 through November 2010, total admissions kept pace with total releases from the MA DOC resulting in a cumulative difference of 11 inmates by the end of November 2010. In December, releases outpaced admissions by 84 inmates and brought the difference to 95 inmates. In January 2011 and February 2011, the trend reversed with admissions outpacing releases, resulting in a cumulative increase of 159 inmates. In March 2011, admissions still slightly outpaced releases, raising the cumulative increase to 163 inmates at the end of the first quarter 2011.

1.4 MA DOC Total Admissions



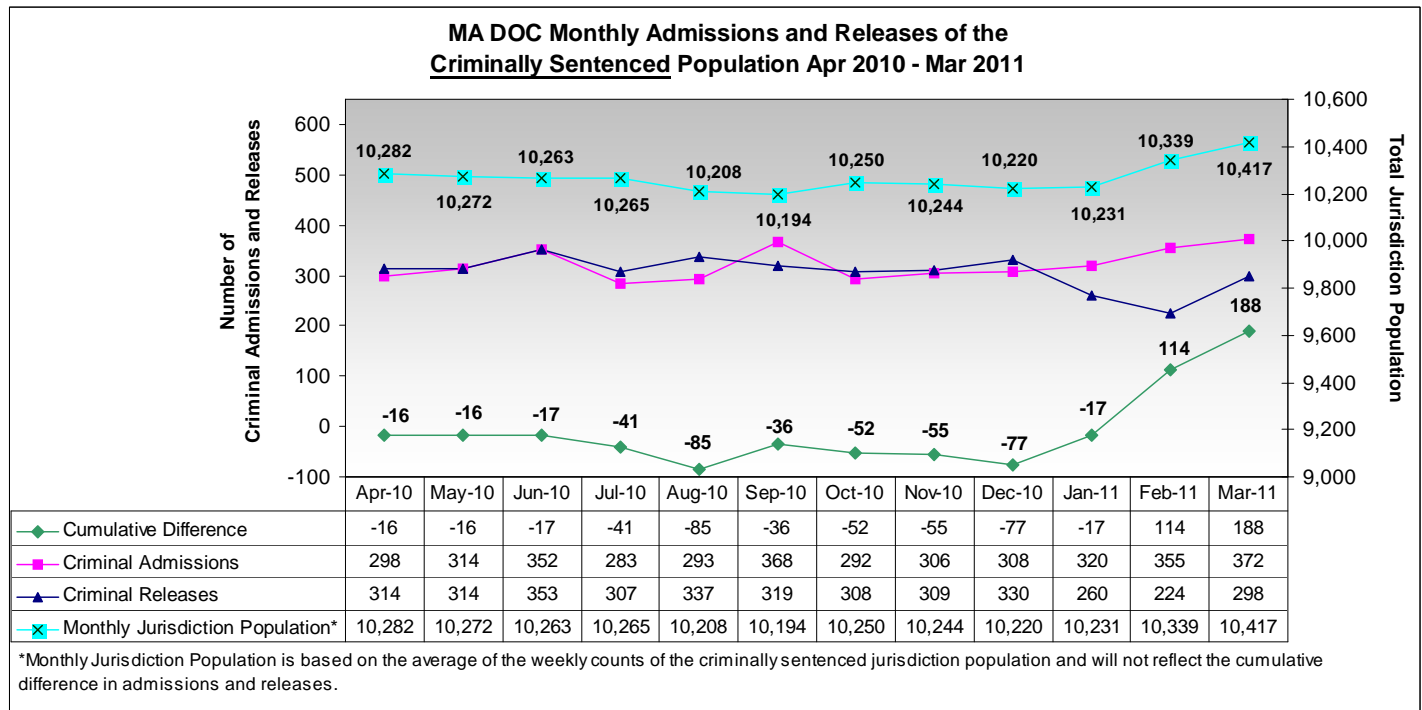
Over the trend period, December 2010 total admissions to MA DOC was driven by lows in awaiting trial and civil commitment admissions to hit a twelve month low of 741 before rising consistently in the first quarter of 2011. In March 2011, admissions hit a twelve month high of 951 to bring the admissions' monthly average up to 855.

1.5 MA DOC Total Releases



Total MA DOC releases for April through December of 2010 averaged 865 before plummeting in January 2011 to 716 and just 657 in February 2011. Total releases rose to a twelve month high of 947 in March, bringing the average monthly releases up to 842 over the trend period. The increase in releases between February and March is attributed to a 64% increase in civil commitment releases, a 43% increase in awaiting trial releases and a 33% increase in criminally sentenced releases.

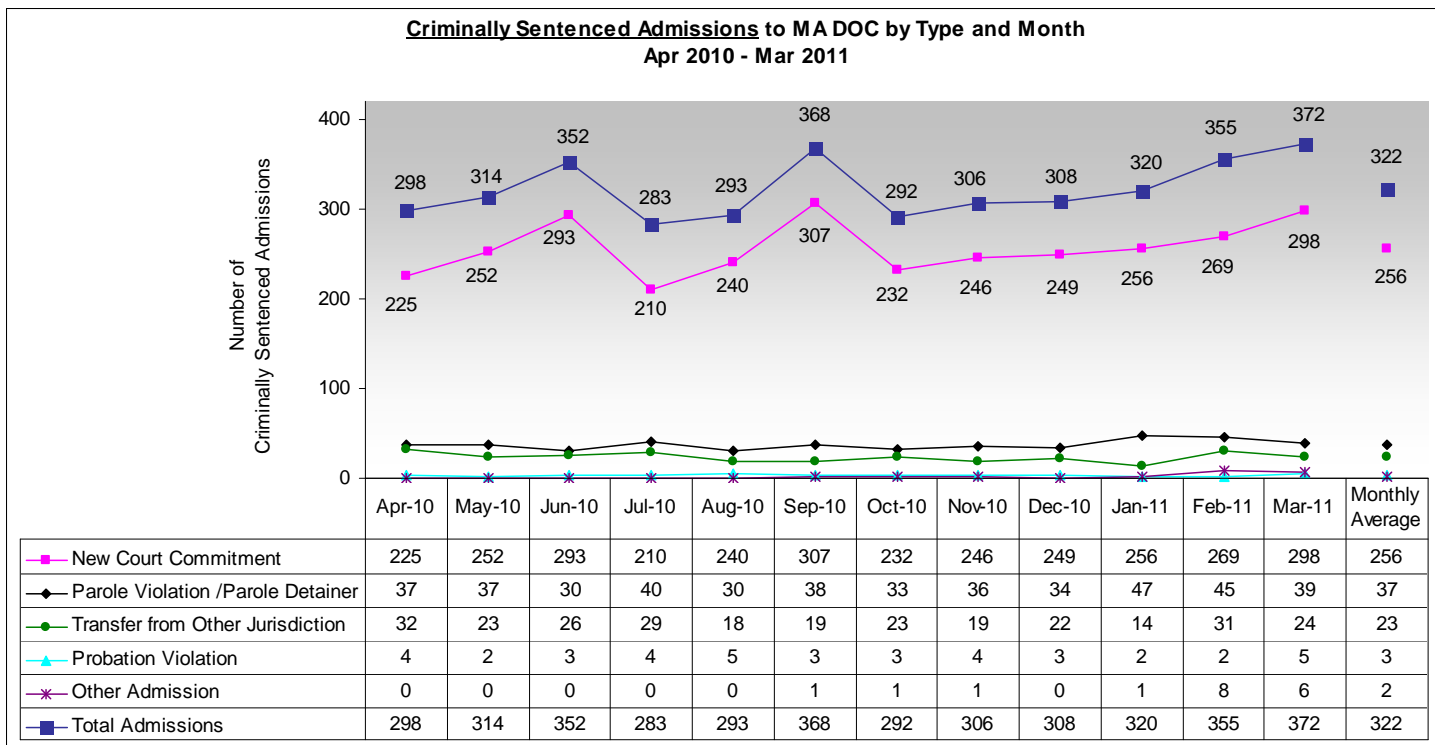
1.6 MA DOC Criminally Sentenced Admissions and Releases by Month



Criminally sentenced releases generally outpaced admissions from April through December of 2010 before the trend reversed in the first quarter of 2011 resulting in a twelve month cumulative increase of 188 inmates. This increase is reflected in the one percent growth in the jurisdiction population over the trend period.

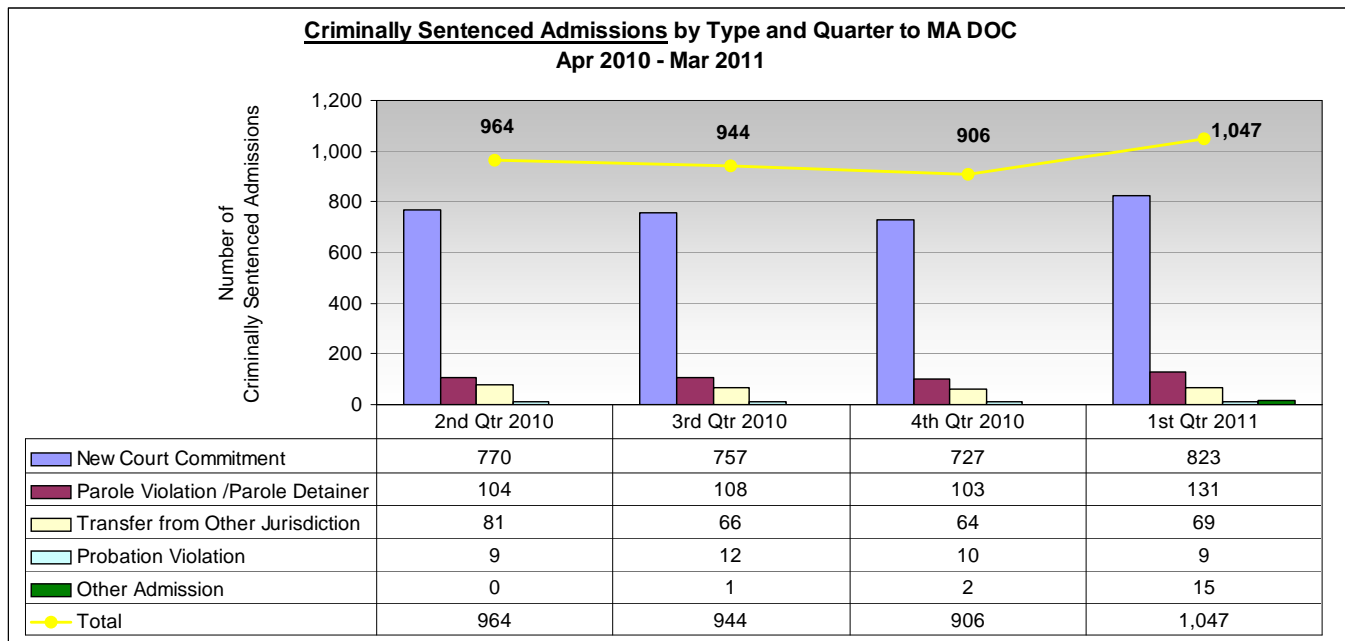
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2.1 MA DOC Criminally Sentenced Admissions by Type and Month



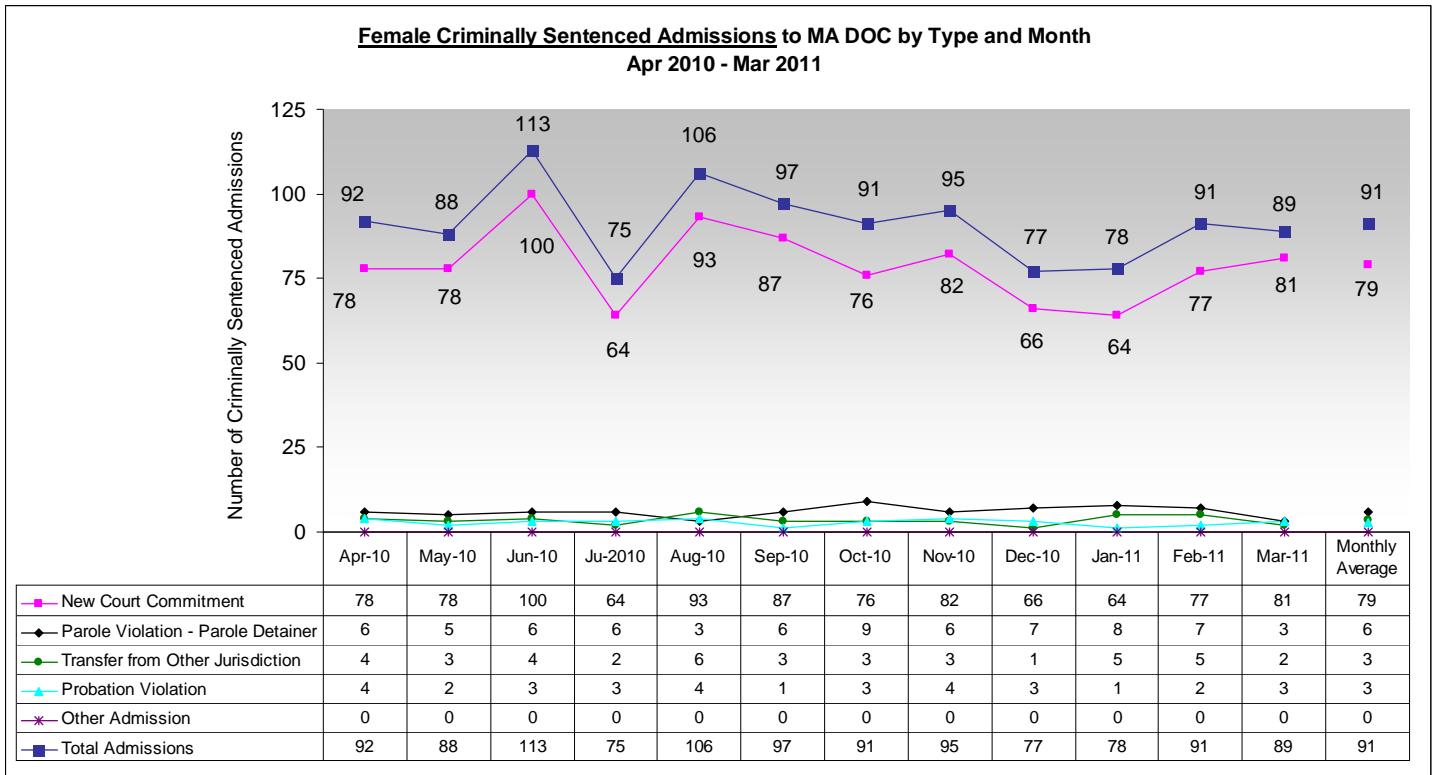
Over the trend period, new court commitments accounted for 80 percent and parole violators/detainees accounted for over 11 percent of the criminally sentenced admissions; criminally sentenced admissions hit a low of 283 in July and a high of 372 in March.

2.2 MA DOC Criminally Sentenced Admissions by Type and Quarter



Criminally sentenced admissions had been decreasing for three quarters until the first quarter of 2011 when there was an increase of 16 percent compared to the previous quarter. The total increase between the fourth quarter of 2010 and the first quarter of 2011 was driven by a 13 percent increase in new court commitments and a 27 percent jump in parole violators/detainees.

2.3 MA DOC Female Criminally Sentenced Admissions by Type and Month



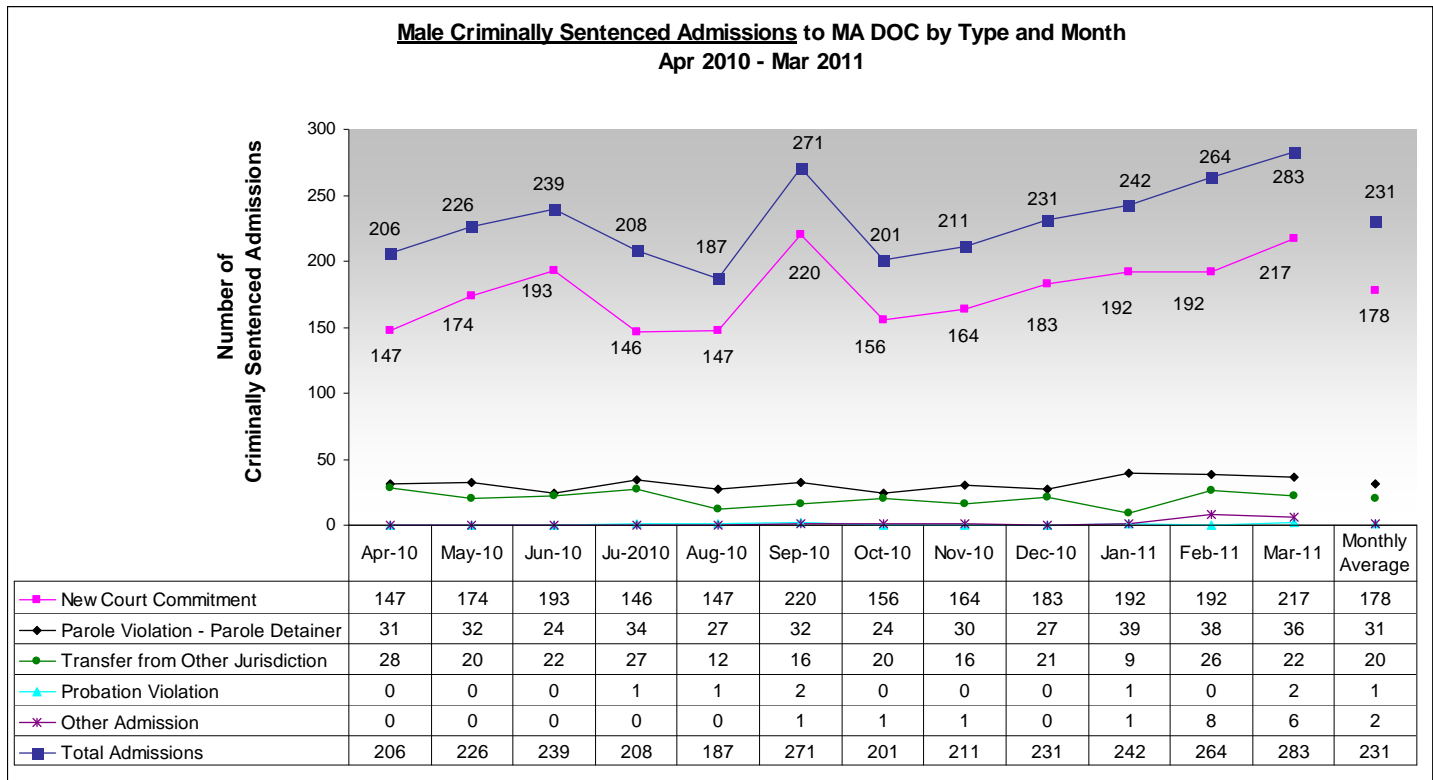
Female criminally sentenced admissions averaged 91 over the trend period with a spike in June of 113 and a low in July of just 75 admissions. New court commitments comprise 87 percent of female admissions over this trend period compared with only 77 percent of male admissions (shown on the following page).

2.4 MA DOC Female Criminally Sentenced Admissions by Type and Quarter

Female Criminally Sentenced Admissions by Type*	2nd Quarter 2010		3rd Quarter 2010		4th Quarter 2010		1st Quarter 2011		Trend Total	
	Count	Percent of Admissions	Count	Percent of Admissions	Count	Percent of Admissions	Count	Percent of Admissions	Total	Percent of Admissions
New Court Commitment	256	87%	244	88%	224	85%	222	86%	946	87%
Parole Violation/Parole Detainer	17	6%	15	5%	22	8%	18	7%	72	7%
Transfer from Other Jurisdiction	11	4%	11	4%	7	3%	12	5%	41	4%
Probation Violation	9	3%	8	3%	10	4%	6	2%	33	3%
Total Admissions	293	100%	278	100%	263	100%	258	100%	1,092	100%

*All percentages may not add to 100% due to rounding.

2.5 MA DOC Male Criminally Sentenced Admissions by Type and Month



Over the trend period, male criminally sentenced admissions hit a low in August with 187 and hit a high of 283 in March after rising consistently throughout the last quarter of 2010 and the first quarter of 2011. Parole violations made up 14 percent of male admissions over this trend period compared to just 7 percent of female admissions.

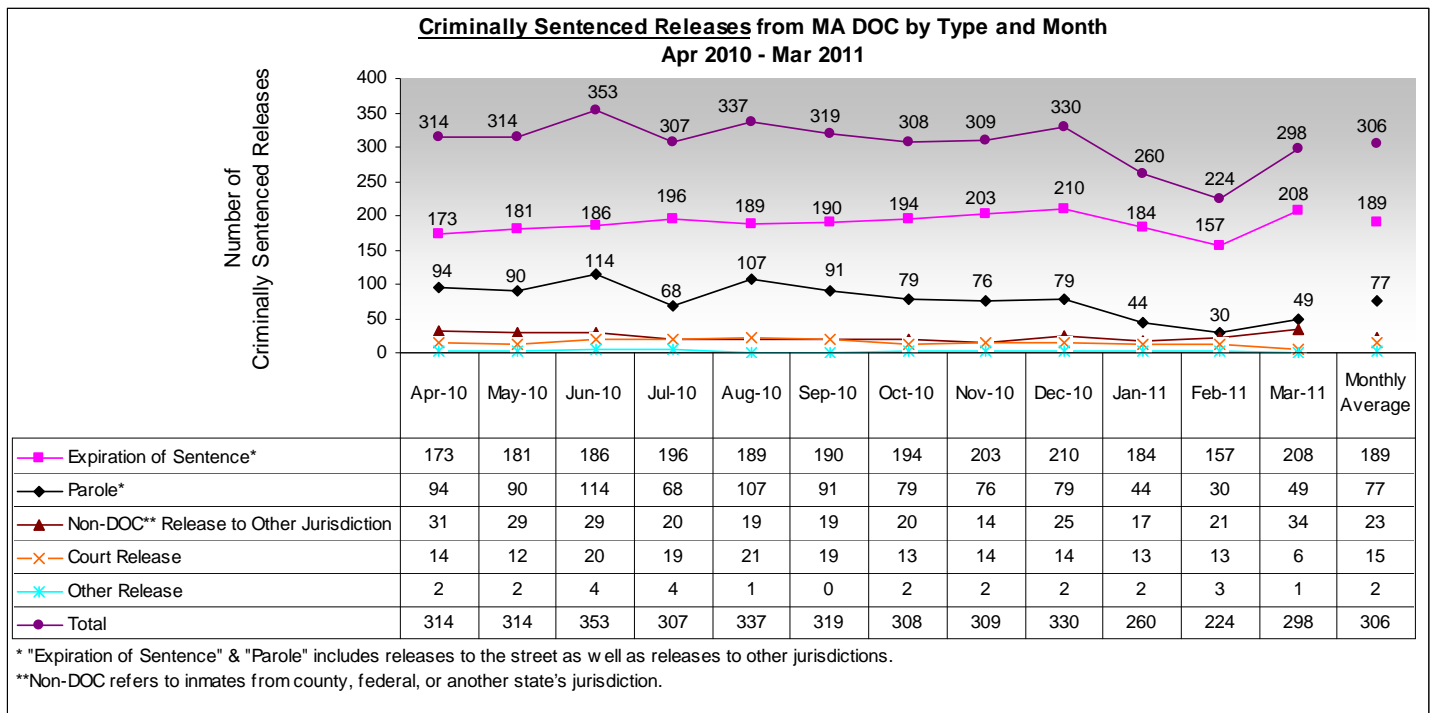
2.6 MA DOC Male Criminally Sentenced Admissions by Type and Quarter

Male Criminally Sentenced Admissions by Type*	2nd Quarter 2010		3rd Quarter 2010		4th Quarter 2010		1st Quarter 2011		Trend Total	
	Count	Percent of Admissions	Count	Percent of Admissions	Count	Percent of Admissions	Count	Percent of Admissions	Total	Percent of Admissions
New Court Commitment	514	77%	513	77%	503	78%	601	76%	2,131	77%
Parole Violation/Parole Detainer	87	13%	93	14%	81	13%	113	14%	374	14%
Transfer from Other Jurisdiction	70	10%	55	8%	57	9%	57	7%	239	9%
Probation Violation	0	0%	4	1%	0	0%	3	0%	7	0%
Other Admission	0	0%	1	0%	2	0%	15	2%	18	1%
Total Admissions	671	100%	666	100%	643	100%	789	100%	2,769	100%

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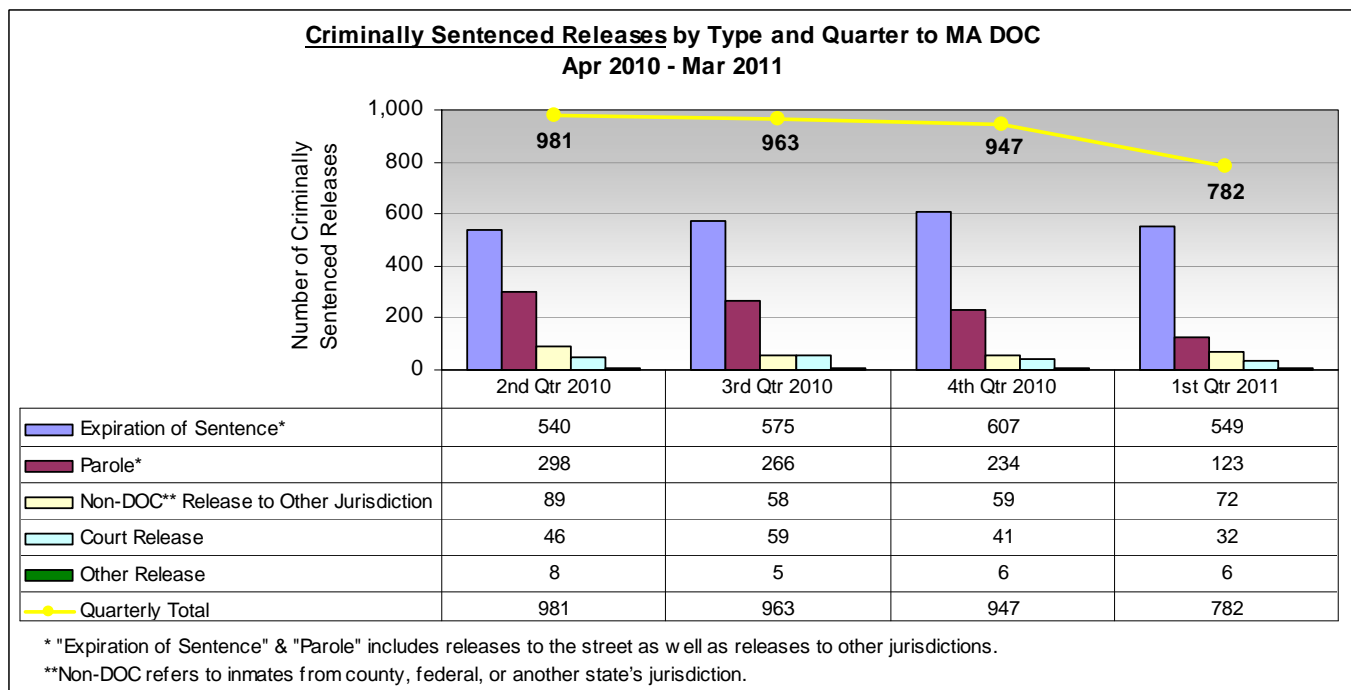
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3.1 MA DOC Criminally Sentenced Releases by Type and Month

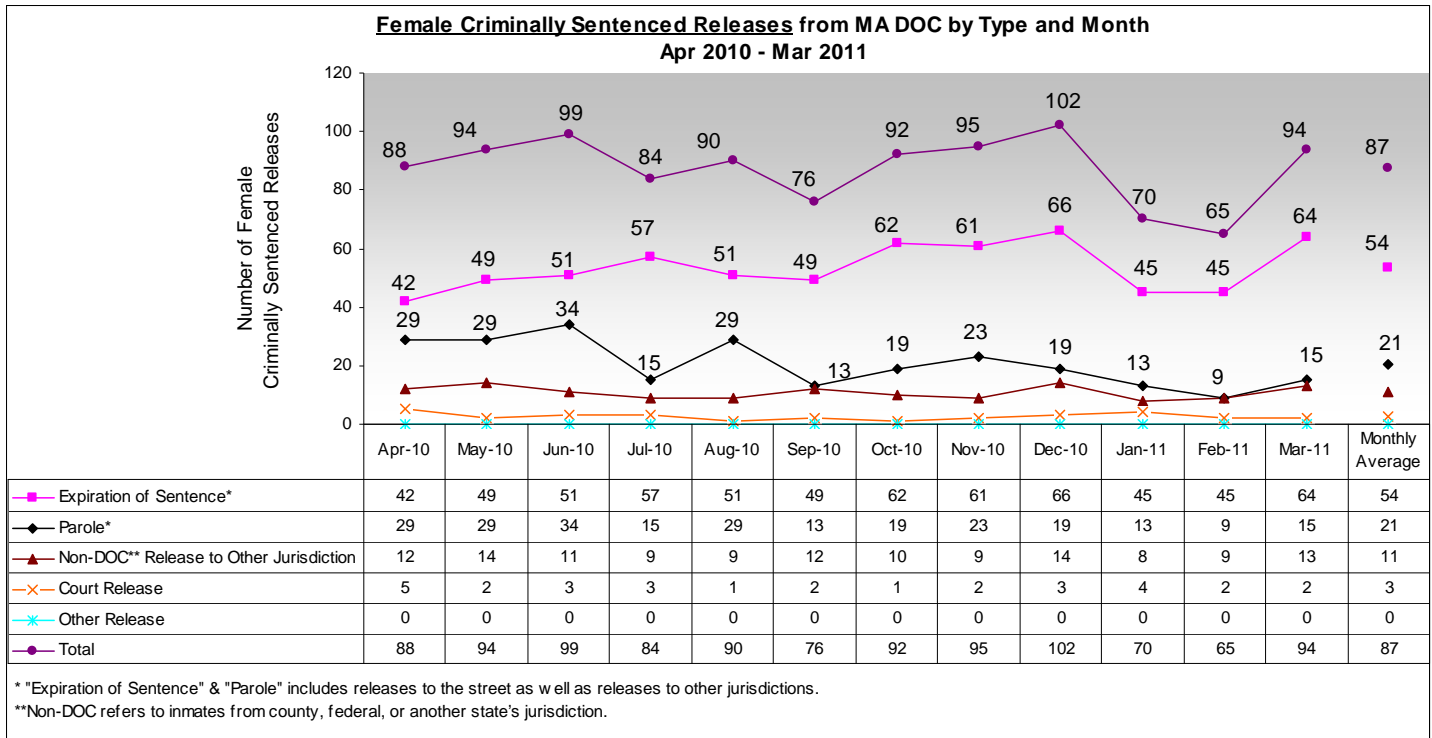


The number of criminally sentenced inmates released to parole has declined over the past four quarters and driven the total number of releases downwards from 981 to 782, a 20 percent decline. Releases to parole experienced a 59 percent decline over the trend period, steadily decreasing in the last three quarters of 2010 from 298 to 234 inmates before plummeting in the first quarter to 123 inmates in the first quarter of 2011.

3.2 MA DOC Criminally Sentenced Releases by Type and Quarter



3.3 MA DOC Female Criminally Sentenced Releases by Type and Month



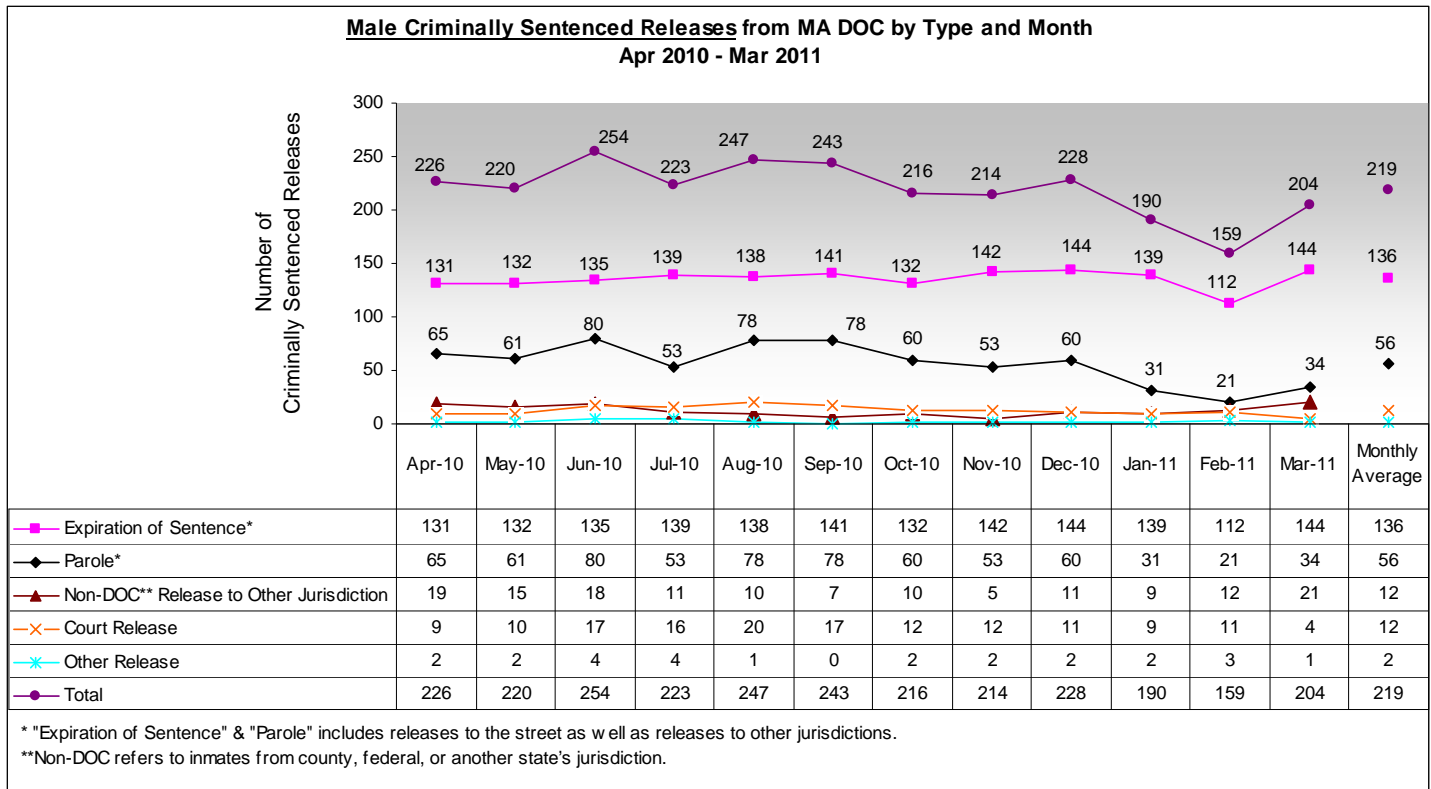
Female criminally sentenced releases averaged 87 per month over the trend period with a spike of 102 releases in the month of December and a low of just 65 releases in February. Sixty-one percent of female criminally sentenced releases were due to an expiration of sentence, 24 percent were released to parole, 12 percent were released to another jurisdiction and about three percent were released by the court.

3.4 MA DOC Female Criminally Sentenced Releases by Type and Quarter*

Type of Release	2nd Quarter 2010		3rd Quarter 2010		4th Quarter 2010		1st Quarter 2011		Trend Total	
	Count	Percent of Admissions	Count	Percent of Admissions	Count	Percent of Admissions	Count	Percent of Admissions	Total	Percent of Admissions
Expiration of Sentence	142	51%	157	63%	189	65%	154	67%	642	61%
Parole	92	33%	57	23%	61	21%	37	16%	247	24%
Non-DOC Release to Other Jurisdiction	37	13%	30	12%	33	11%	30	13%	130	12%
Court Release	10	4%	6	2%	6	2%	8	3%	30	3%
Total Admissions	281	100%	250	100%	289	100%	229	100%	1,049	100%

*All percentages may not add to 100% due to rounding.

3.5 MA DOC Male Criminally Sentenced Releases by Type and Month



Criminally sentenced male releases averaged 219 per month over the trend period with a high of 254 in June and a low of 159 in February. Sixty-two percent of these releases were due to an expiration of sentence, 26 percent were released to parole, six percent were released to another jurisdiction, six percent were released by court, and about one percent by "other release".

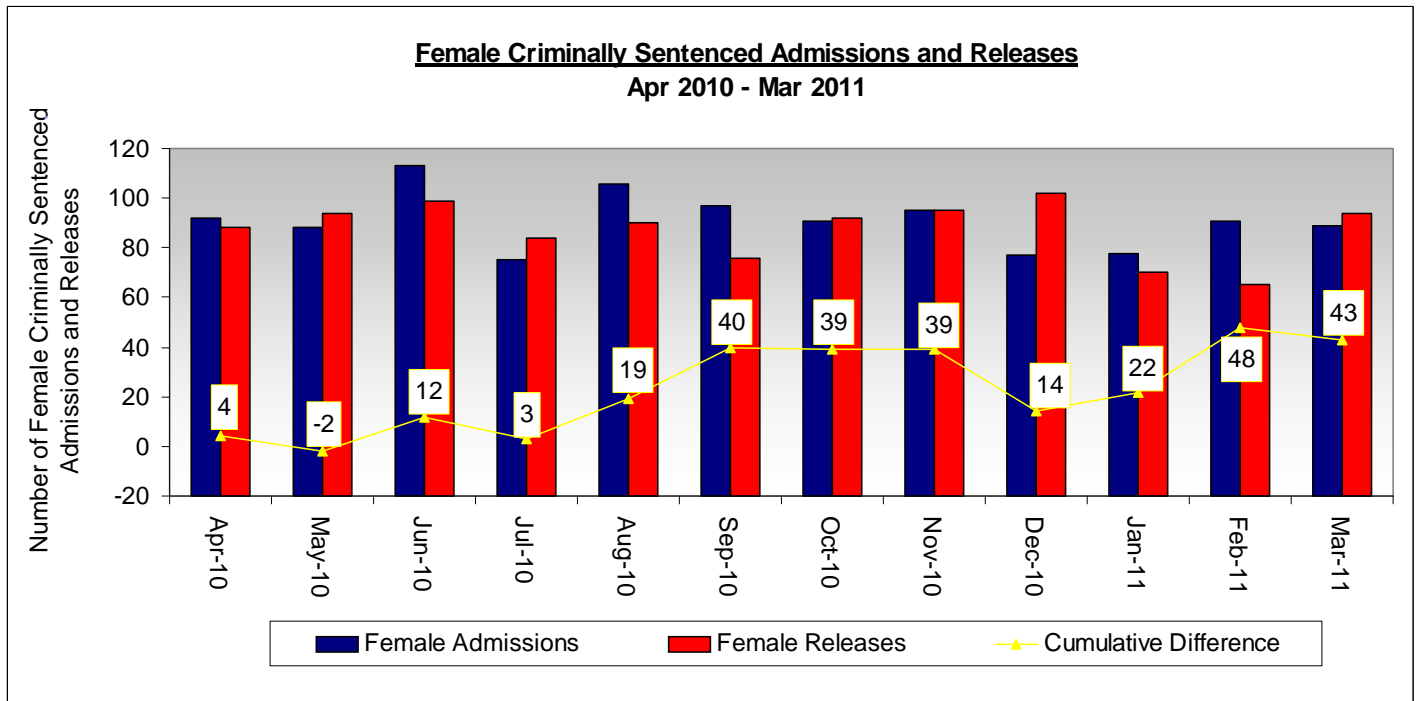
3.6 MA DOC Male Criminally Sentenced Releases by Type and Quarter*

Type of Release	2nd Quarter 2010		3rd Quarter 2010		4th Quarter 2010		1st Quarter 2011		Trend Total	
	Count	Percent of Admissions	Count	Percent of Admissions	Count	Percent of Admissions	Total	Percent of Admissions	Count	Percent of Admissions
Expiration of Sentence	398	57%	418	59%	418	64%	395	71%	1,629	62%
Parole	206	29%	209	29%	173	26%	86	16%	674	26%
Non-DOC Release to Other Jurisdiction	52	7%	28	4%	26	4%	42	8%	148	6%
Court Release	36	5%	53	7%	35	5%	24	4%	148	6%
Other Release	8	1%	5	1%	6	1%	6	1%	25	1%
Total Admissions	700	100%	713	100%	658	100%	553	100%	2,624	100%

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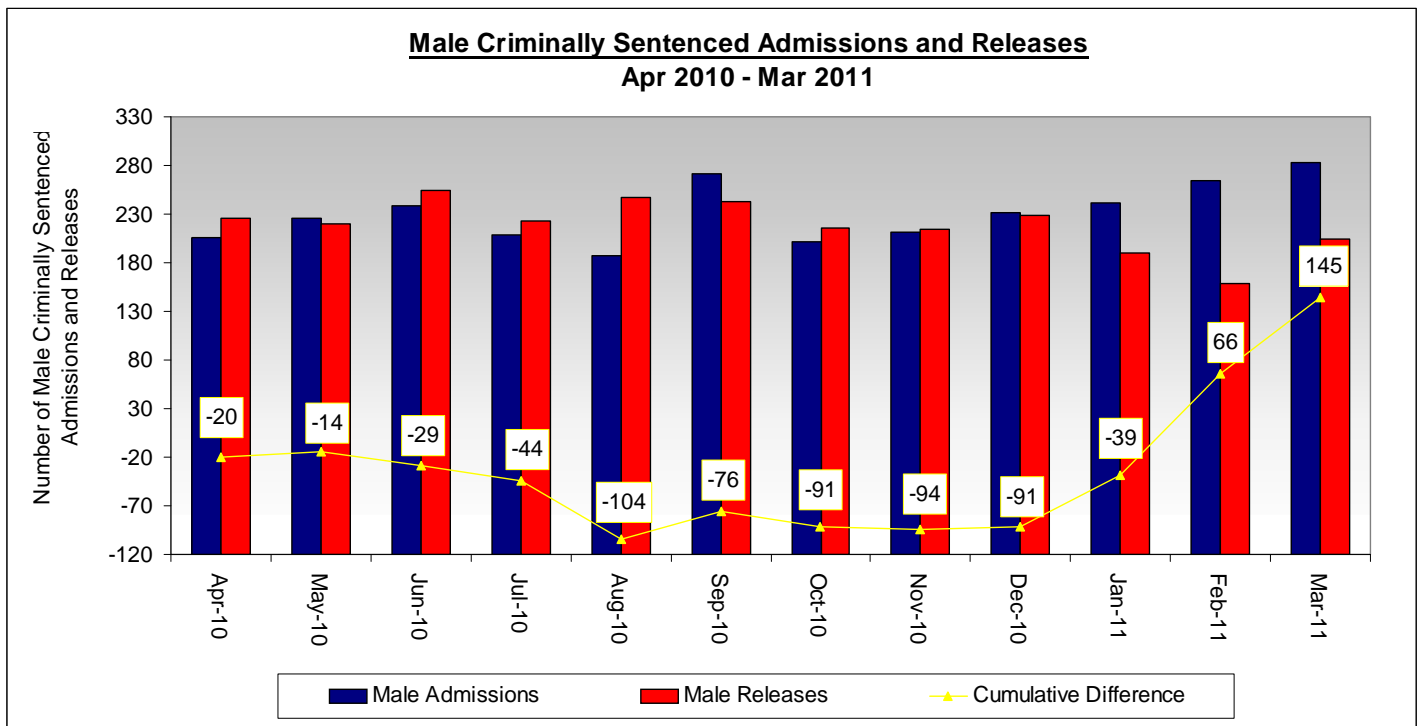
Section 4. MA DOC Criminally Sentenced Admission and Release Trends by Gender

4.1 MA DOC Female Criminally Sentenced Admissions and Releases



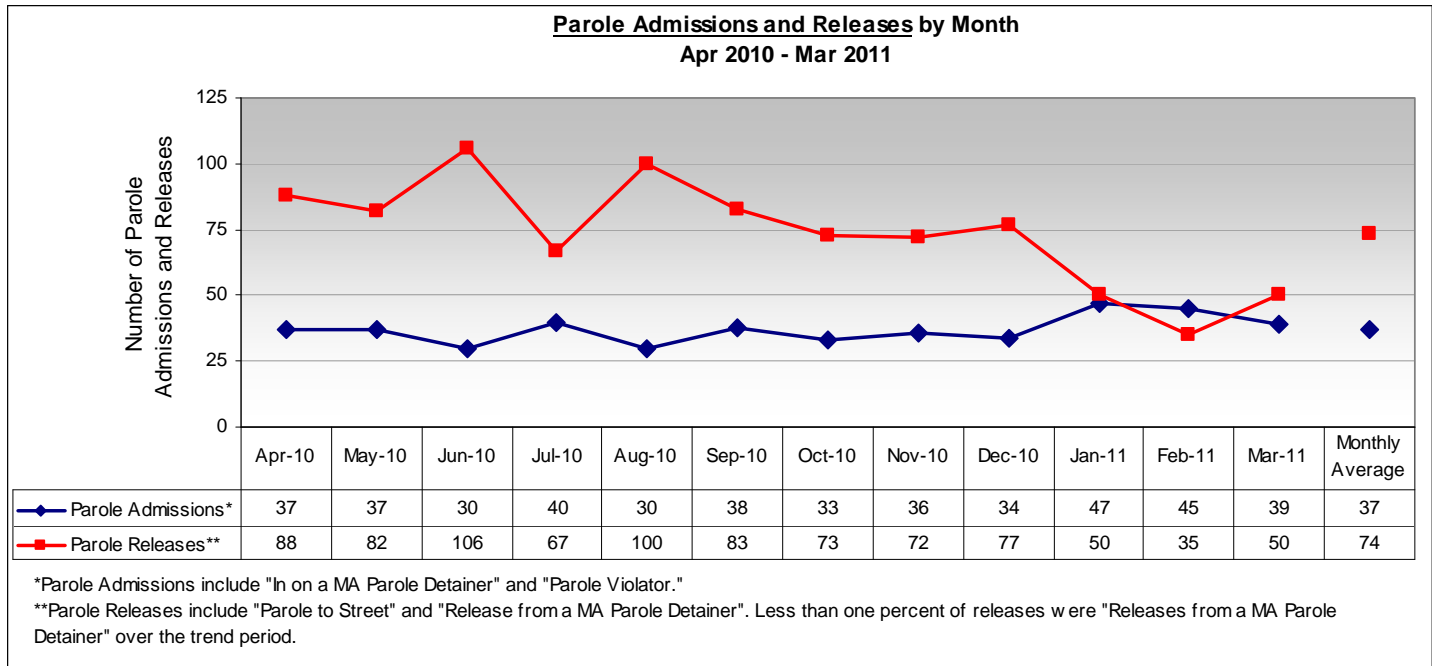
It is interesting to note that criminally sentenced admissions ultimately outpaced releases for both genders over the trend period; females increased by 43 inmates while males increased by 145. The male cumulative increase was driven by the first quarter of 2011 with admissions clearly outpacing releases in January, February and March.

4.2 MA DOC Male Criminally Sentenced Admissions and Releases



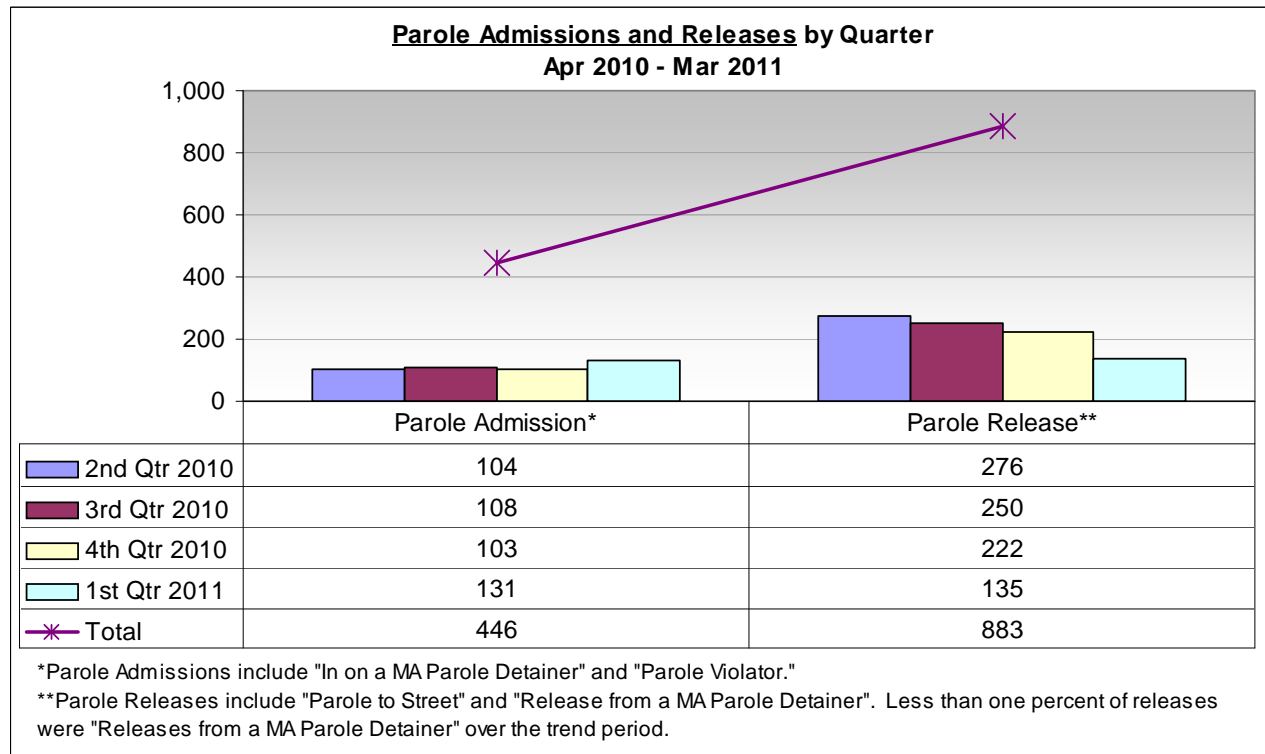
Section 5. MA DOC Comparison of Parole Admissions and Parole Releases to the Street

5.1 MA DOC Parole Admissions and Parole Releases to the Street by Month



Parole releases consistently and significantly outpaced parole admissions throughout the trend period until January, 2011 when the trend slowed and even reversed for the month of February with parole admissions outnumbering parole releases. Over the trend period, the first quarter of 2011 reflected a spike for parole admissions at 131 and (simultaneously) a low in parole releases at just 135.

5.2 MA DOC Parole Admissions and Parole Releases to the Street by Quarter



Section 6. MA DOC Supervision of Criminally Sentenced Releases to the Street

6.1 MA DOC Total Criminally Sentenced Releases to the Street by Type and Quarter

Type of Release	Total Criminally Sentenced Releases to the Street by Quarter Apr 2010- Mar 2011									
	2nd Qtr 2010	% of Releases to Street	3rd Qtr 2010	% of Releases to Street	4th Qtr 2010	% of Releases to Street	1st Qtr 2011	% of Releases to Street	Trend Total	% of Releases to Street
Paroled to Street	276	40%	250	39%	222	32%	114	21%	862	34%
Expiration of Sentence	407	60%	395	61%	464	68%	419	79%	1,685	66%
Total Releases to Street	683	100%	645	100%	686	100%	533	100%	2,547	100%

6.2 MA DOC Female Criminally Sentenced Releases to the Street by Type and Quarter

Type of Release	Female Criminally Sentenced Releases to the Street in 2010 by Quarter Apr 2010- Mar 2011									
	Female 2nd Qtr 2010	% of Releases to Street	Female 3rd Qtr 2010	% of Releases to Street	Female 4th Qtr 2010	% of Releases to Street	Female 1st Qtr 2011	% of Releases to Street	Trend Total	% of Releases to Street
Paroled to Street	88	44%	54	32%	59	28%	36	22%	237	32%
Expiration of Sentence	111	56%	115	68%	152	72%	127	78%	505	68%
Total Releases to Street	199	100%	169	100%	211	100%	163	100%	742	100%

6.3 MA DOC Male Criminally Sentenced Releases to the Street by Type and Quarter

Type of Release	Male Criminally Sentenced Releases to the Street by Quarter Apr 2010- Mar 2011									
	Male 2nd Qtr 2010	% of Releases to Street	Male 3rd Qtr 2010	% of Releases to Street	Male 4th Qtr 2010	% of Releases to Street	Male 1st Qtr 2011	% of Releases to Street	Trend Total	% of Releases to Street
Paroled to Street	188	39%	196	41%	163	34%	78	21%	625	35%
Expiration of Sentence	296	61%	280	59%	312	66%	292	79%	1,180	65%
Total Releases to Street	484	100%	476	100%	475	100%	370	100%	1,805	100%

Over the trend period, the majority of criminally sentenced inmates in MA DOC (66 percent) were released to the street due to an expiration of sentence; 32 percent of females and 35 percent of males were paroled to the street. Between the fourth quarter of 2010 and the first quarter of 2011, total criminally sentenced releases to the street dropped by 22 percent or by 153 releases; this pattern is evident for both the male and female releases to the street. The overall decrease between the two quarters was driven by a decline in paroles to the street which decreased by 39 percent for females and by 52 percent for males.

6.4 MA DOC Total Criminally Sentenced Releases to the Street by Supervision Status and Quarter

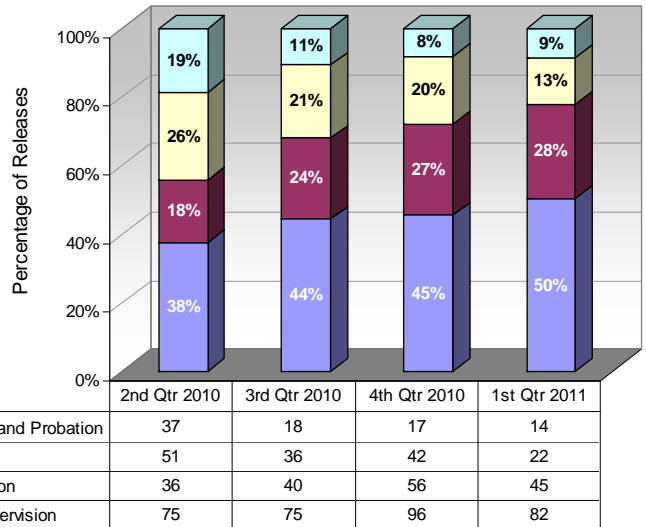
Total Criminally Sentenced Releases to the Street by Supervision Apr 2010 - Mar 2011										
Type of Supervision	2nd Qtr 2010	% of Releases to Street	3rd Qtr 2010	% of Releases to Street	4th Qtr 2010	% of Releases to Street	1st Qtr 2011	% of Releases to Street	Trend Total	% of Releases to Street
Parole and Probation (both)	105	15%	87	13%	85	12%	54	10%	331	13%
Parole (only)	171	25%	163	25%	137	20%	60	11%	531	21%
Probation (only)	156	23%	160	25%	195	28%	160	30%	671	26%
No Supervision	251	37%	235	36%	269	39%	259	49%	1,014	40%
Total	683	100%	645	100%	686	100%	533	100%	2,547	100%

Between fourth quarter 2010 and first quarter 2011, the number of criminally sentenced releases to the street with “No Supervision” actually dropped from 269 to 259 but due to the overall decline in releases and the decline in paroles to the street, releases with “No Supervision” represented half of the releases in first quarter 2011.

6.5 MA DOC Female Criminally Sentenced Releases to the Street by Supervision Status and Quarter

Throughout the last three quarters of 2010, releases to parole (only) comprised between 20 and 27 percent of criminally sentenced releases to the street for both genders; notably, in the first quarter of 2011, releases to parole (only) comprised only 13 percent of female releases and just ten percent of male releases.

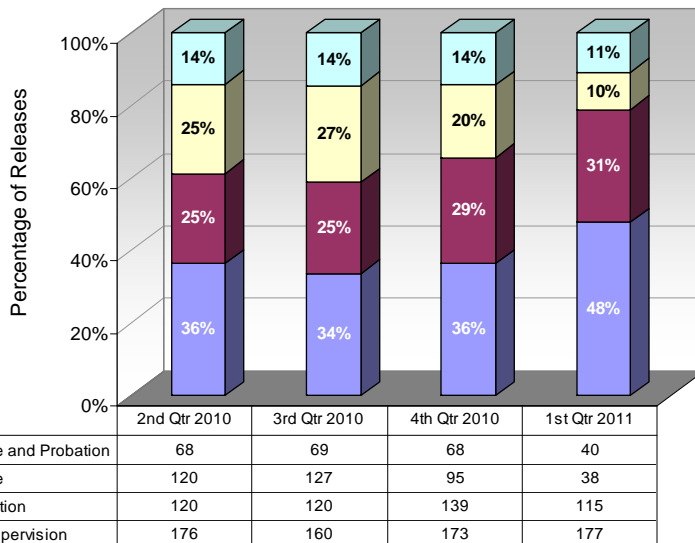
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6.6 MA DOC Male Criminally Sentenced Releases to the Street by Supervision Status and Quarter

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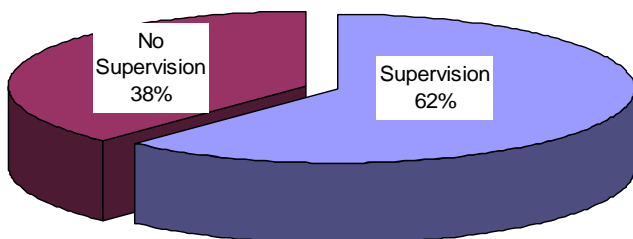


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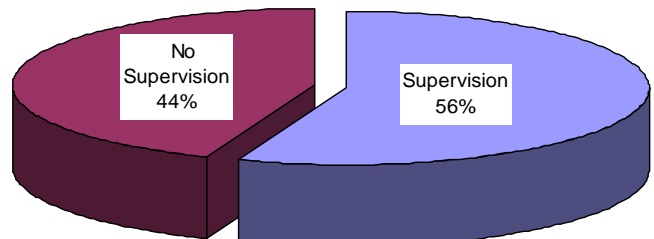
Over the trend period, 60 percent of criminally sentenced releases to the street from MA DOC were released with supervision (56 percent of females and 62 percent of males).

6.7 MA DOC Criminally Sentenced Releases to the Street by Supervision Status and Gender

Male Criminally Sentenced Releases to the Street from MA DOC by Supervision Status Apr 2010 - Mar 2011

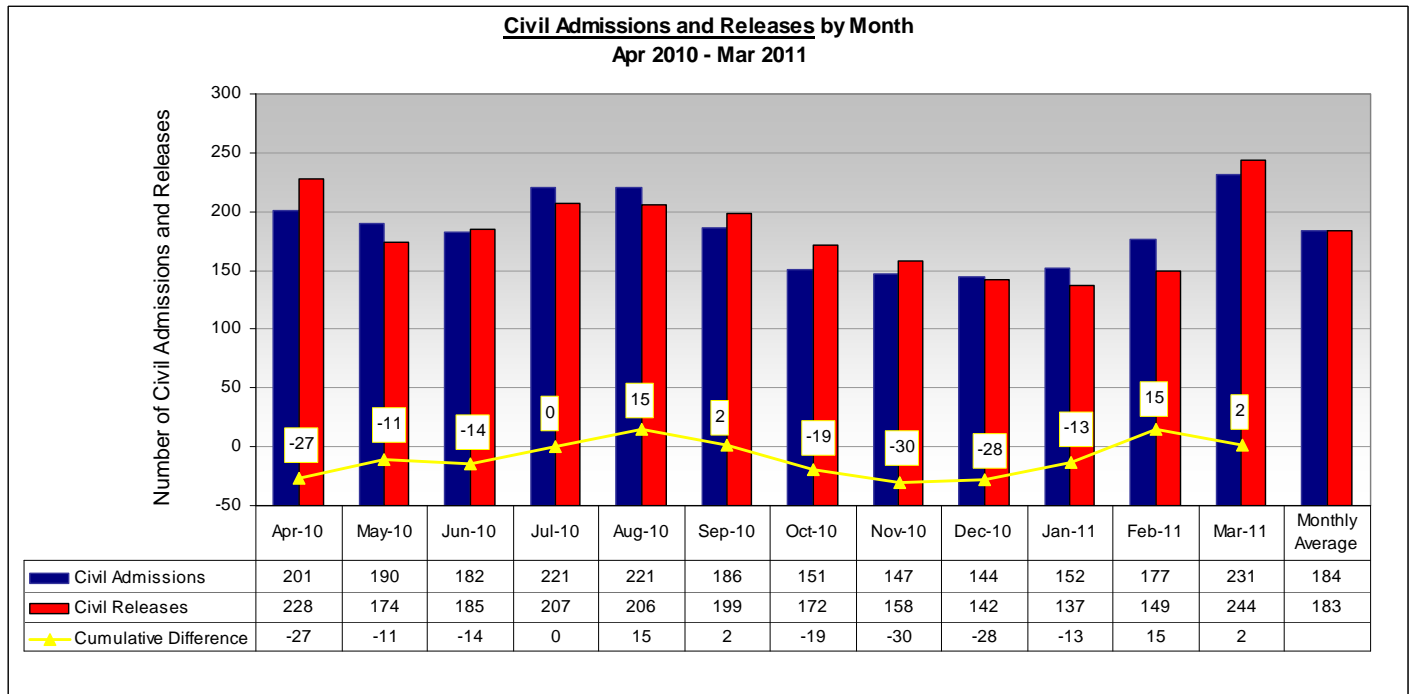


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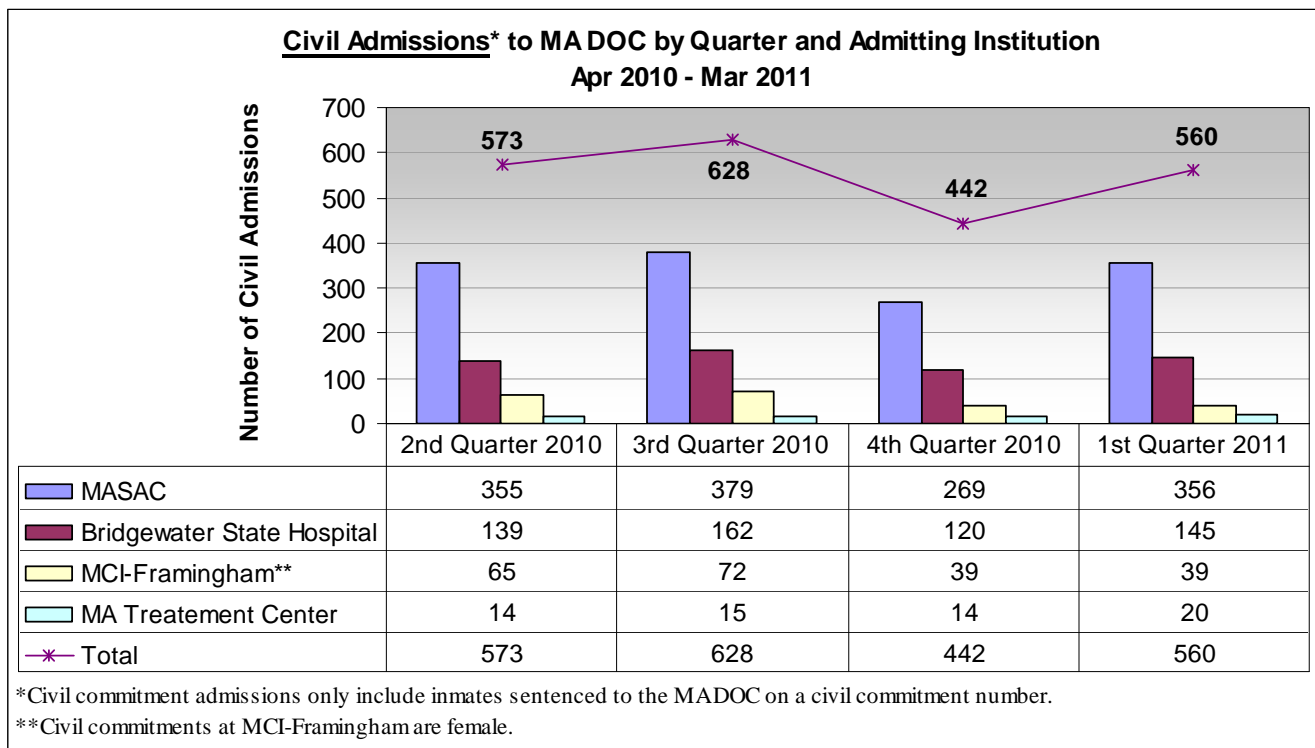
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7.1 MA DOC Civil Admissions and Releases by Month



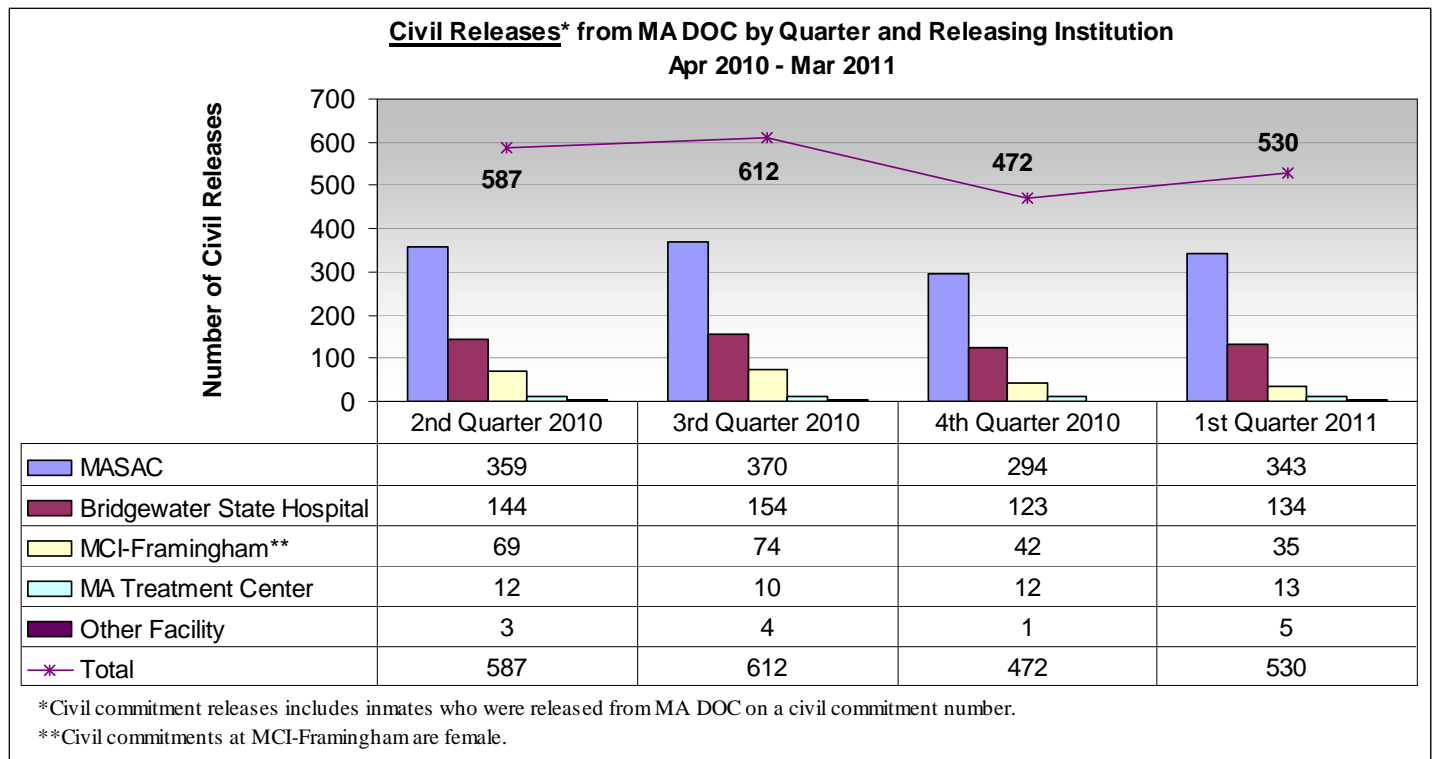
MA DOC civil admissions and releases over the trend period were largely on par with one another and resulted in an overall increase of just two civilly committed inmates. Civil commitment admissions ranged from 144 per month to 231 over the trend period with an average of 184. Civil commitment releases averaged 183 per month and ranged from 137 to 244.

7.2 MA DOC Civil Admissions by Quarter and Admitting Institution



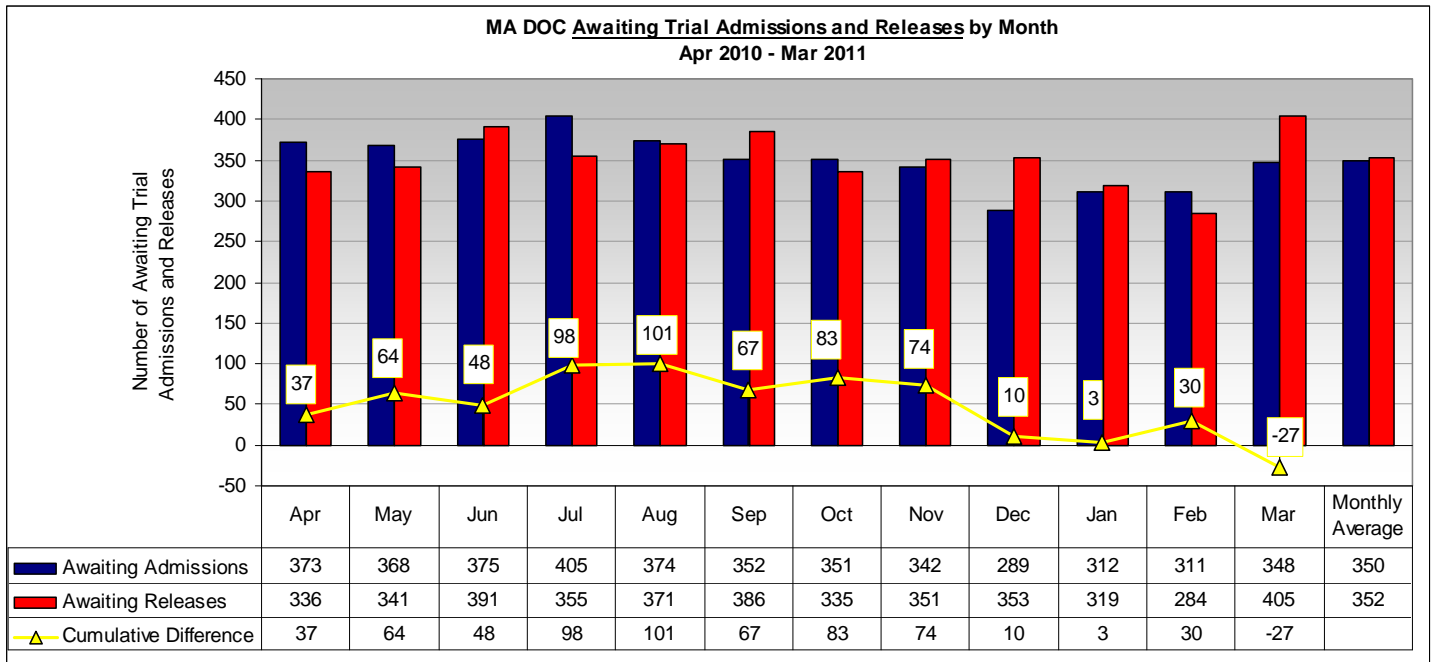
Over the trend period, MASAC (Massachusetts Alcohol and Substance Abuse Center) and Bridgewater State Hospital processed about 87 percent of the civil admissions (1,925 out of 2,203) and civil releases (1,921 out of 2,201); these facilities (as well as MA Treatment Center) exclusively house males. Accordingly, males accounted for 90 percent of civil admissions and releases while females accounted for just ten percent (at MCI-Framingham).

7.3 MA DOC Civil Releases by Quarter and Releasing Institution



Section 8. MA DOC Awaiting Trial Admissions and Releases

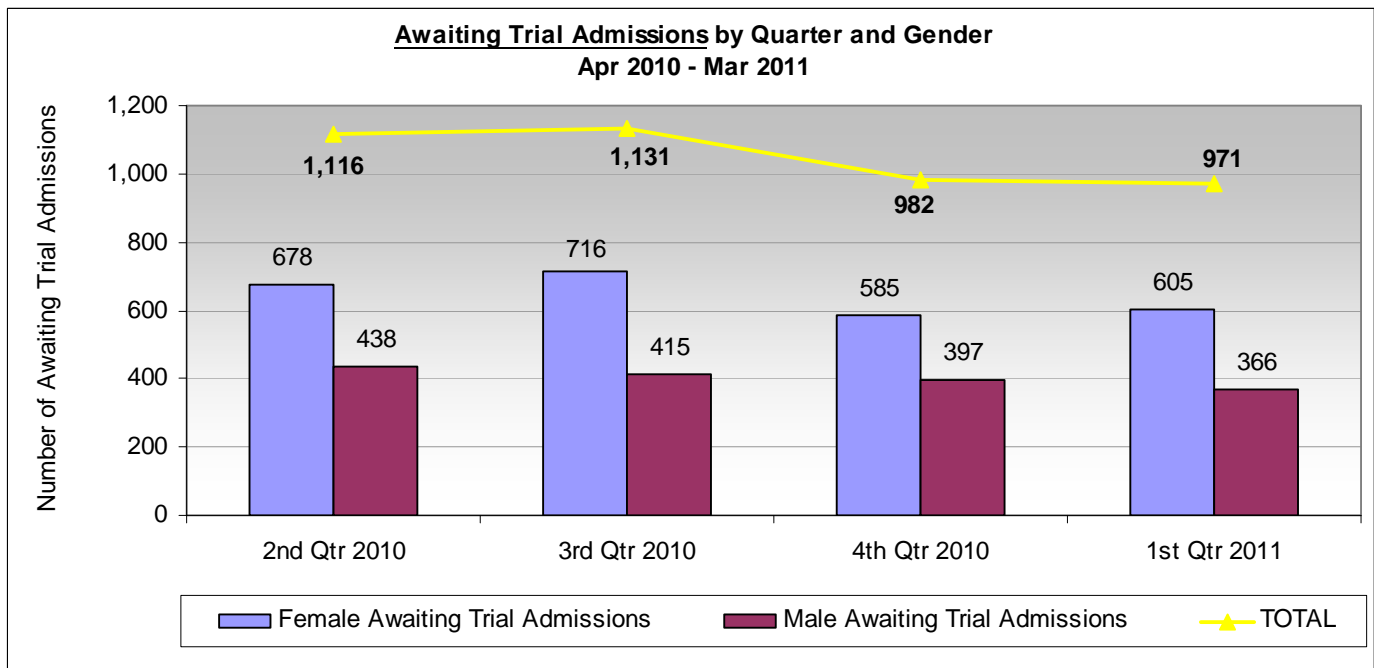
8.1 MA DOC Awaiting Trial Admissions and Releases



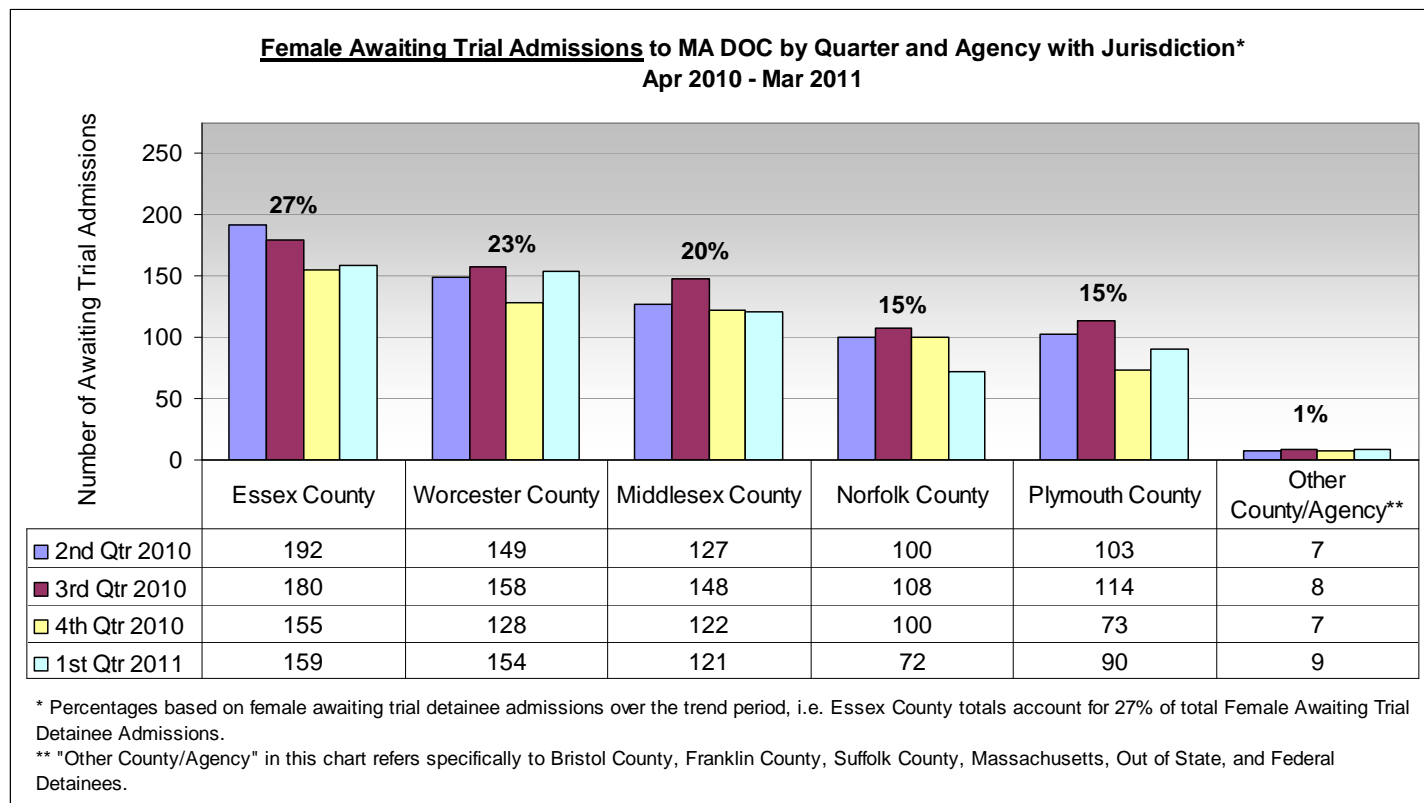
Awaiting trial releases hit a high for the trend period in March of 2011 at 405 releases; this leveled off the cumulative difference and resulted in a difference of 27 detainees over the trend period.

After spiking in the third quarter of 2010, total awaiting trial admissions have declined for the last two quarters by 13 percent and then by one percent. While females comprise the majority of the awaiting trial admissions to MA DOC (about 60 percent), the continued decline was driven by male admissions, dropping from 397 to 366 while female admissions actually rose by 20 detainees between the fourth quarter of 2010 and first quarter of 2011.

8.2 MA DOC Awaiting Trial Admissions by Quarter and Gender



8.3 MA DOC Female Awaiting Trial Admissions



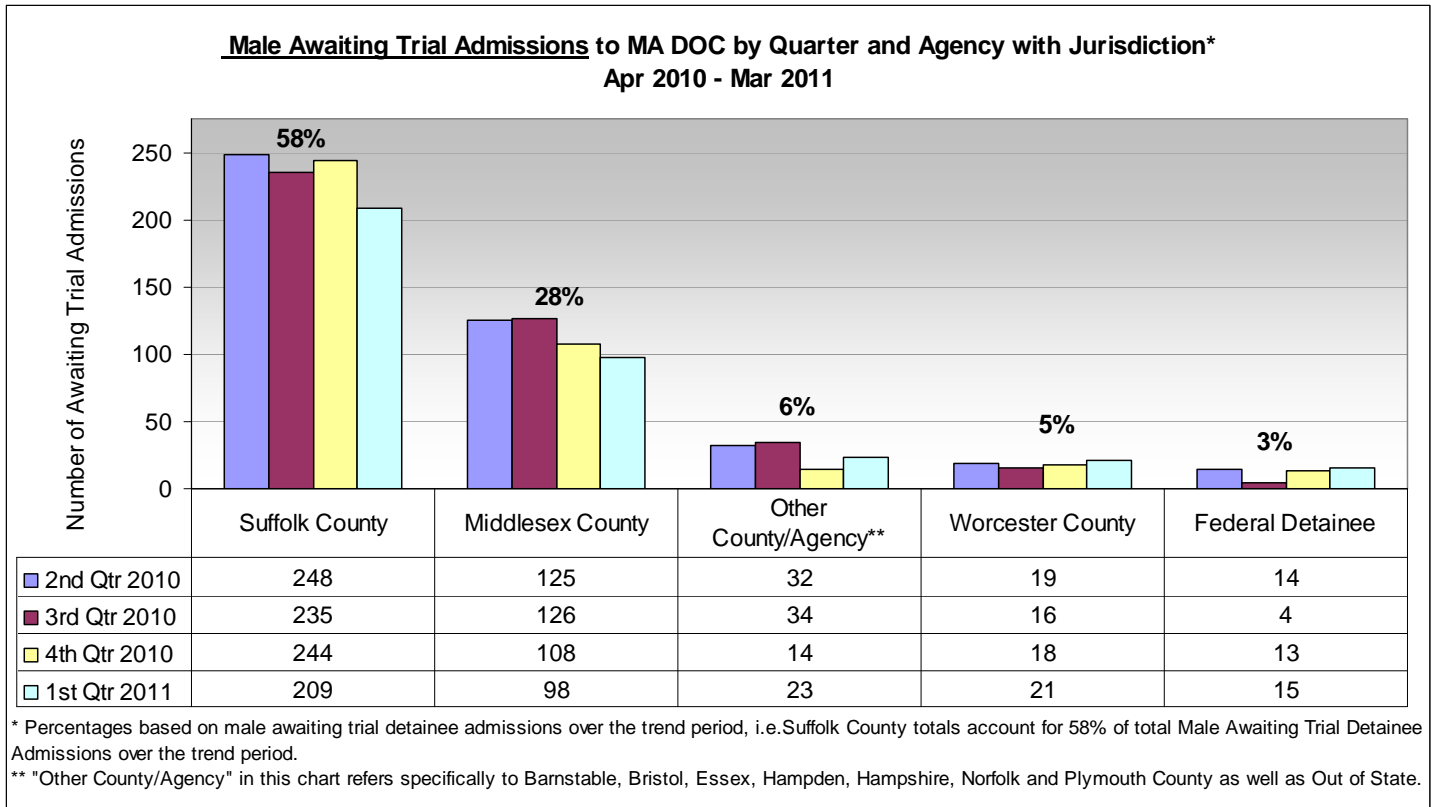
Female awaiting trial detainees come from several counties across Massachusetts, especially those counties with no or limited female beds. Over the trend period, almost 70 percent of MA DOC female awaiting trial admissions consistently came from Essex, Worcester and Middlesex counties. Female awaiting trial admissions spiked in the third quarter of 2010 but have leveled off since then, remaining below the quarterly average of 646 for the trend period at just 605 admissions for the first quarter of 2011.

8.4 MA DOC Female Awaiting Trial Admissions by Quarter and Jurisdiction

Female Awaiting Trial Admissions by Quarter and Agency with Jurisdiction										
Agency with Jurisdiction	2nd Qtr 2010		3rd Qtr 2010		4th Qtr 2010		1st Qtr 2011		Trend Total	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Essex County	192	28%	180	25%	155	26%	159	26%	686	27%
Worcester County	149	22%	158	22%	128	22%	154	22%	589	23%
Middlesex County	127	19%	148	21%	122	21%	121	21%	518	20%
Norfolk County	100	15%	108	15%	100	15%	72	15%	380	15%
Plymouth County	103	15%	114	16%	73	16%	90	16%	380	15%
Other County/Agency	7	1%	8	1%	7	1%	9	1%	31	1%
TOTAL	678	100%	716	100%	585	100%	605	100%	2,584	100%

*"Other County/Agency" includes the U.S. Marshalls, Federal Detainees, Massachusetts, Out of State, Suffolk County, Bristol County and Franklin County.

8.5 MA DOC Male Awaiting Trial Admissions



Accounting for 86 percent, Suffolk and Middlesex counties send the majority of male awaiting trial admissions to MA DOC. Total male awaiting trial admissions have declined steadily over the last four quarters, dropping 16 percent since the second quarter of 2010 (at 438 admissions) to the most recent quarter (at 366 admissions).

8.6 MA DOC Male Awaiting Trial Admissions by Quarter and Jurisdiction

Male Awaiting Trial Admissions by Quarter and Agency with Jurisdiction										
Agency with Jurisdiction	2nd Qtr 2010		3rd Qtr 2010		4th Qtr 2010		1st Qtr 2011		Trend Total	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Suffolk County	248	57%	235	57%	244	61%	209	57%	936	58%
Middlesex County	125	29%	126	30%	108	27%	98	27%	457	28%
Other County/Agency	32	7%	34	8%	14	4%	23	6%	103	6%
Worcester County	19	4%	16	4%	18	5%	21	6%	74	5%
Federal Detainee	14	3%	4	1%	13	3%	15	4%	46	3%
TOTAL	438	100%	415	100%	397	100%	366	100%	1,616	100%

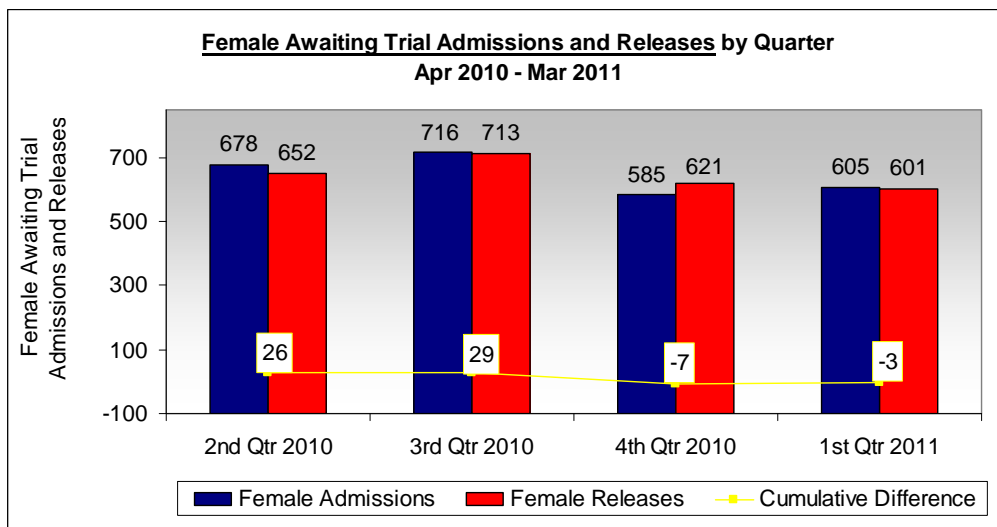
*"Other County/Agency" includes Bristol County, Norfolk County, Plymouth County, Essex County, Hampden County, Barnstable County, Massachusetts and Out of State.

8.7 MA DOC Awaiting Trial Releases by Quarter and Gender

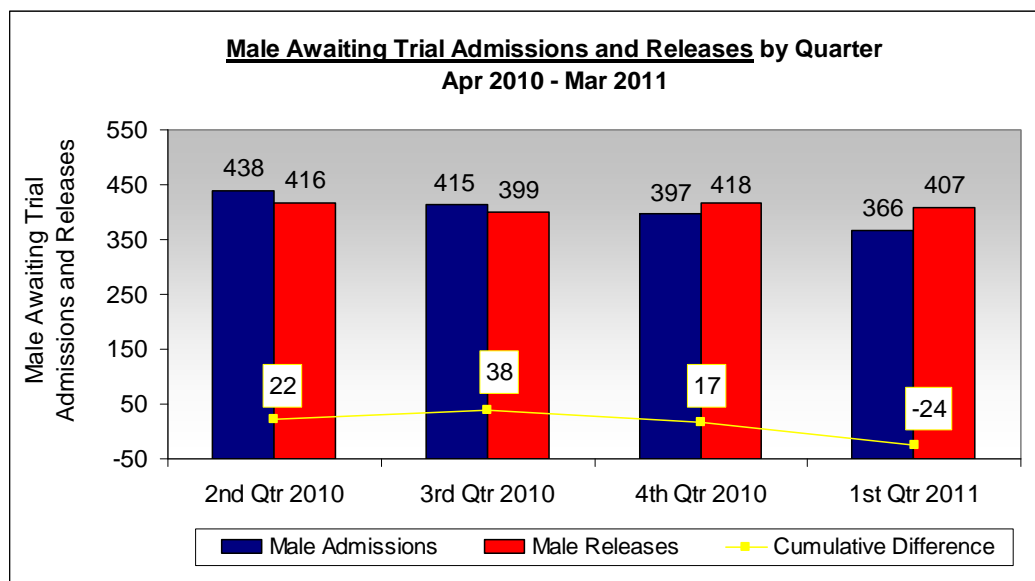
Awaiting Trial Releases by Quarter & Gender	FEMALE						MALE					
Type of Release	2nd Qtr 2010	3rd Qtr 2010	4th Qtr 2010	1st Qtr 2011	Trend Total	% of Female Releases	2nd Qtr 2010	3rd Qtr 2010	4th Qtr 2010	1st Qtr 2011	Trend Total	% of Male Releases
Court Release	638	697	610	589	2,534	98%	309	278	309	294	1,190	73%
Transfer to Other Jurisdiction	14	16	11	12	53	2%	87	98	92	92	369	23%
Release from MA Parole Detainer	0	0	0	0	0	0%	20	23	17	21	81	5%
TOTAL	652	713	621	601	2,587	100%	416	399	418	407	1,640	100%

8.8 MA DOC Female Awaiting Trial Admissions and Releases by Quarter

The majority of awaiting trial releases from MA DOC were “Court Releases”, accounting for 98 percent of female and 73 percent of male releases. Twenty- three percent of male detainees were released by a “Transfer to Other Jurisdiction” compared to just two percent of female detainees. The remaining five percent of male awaiting trial releases were a “Release from MA Parole Detainer”.



Female awaiting trial admissions and releases fluctuated amongst the last four quarters but ultimately resulted in a small cumulative difference of just three detainees. Except in rare cases, MCI-Framingham processes female awaiting trial admissions and releases; the institution was charged with processing a high of 1,429 awaiting trial admissions and releases over the third quarter of 2010, an average of 16 per day.

8.9 MA DOC Male Awaiting Trial Admissions and Releases by Quarter

MCI-Concord processes the majority of male awaiting trial admissions and releases; males experienced a high of 854 admissions and releases in the second quarter of 2010, an average of nine per day.

Male awaiting trial admissions were higher than the corresponding releases for the second and third quarters of 2010; this trend reversed for the last two quarters and ultimately resulted in a cumulative difference of 24 detainees over the trend period.

Appendix

Notes and Definitions

Note: Admission and Release data for this report was gathered in April of 2011. Numbers in this report may vary slightly from numbers in other reports due to the continuous updating of data and information in the Inmate Management System.

Admissions	Inmates committed to the Department of Correction, bearing a committing institution's identification number, who arrive at a facility as a result of a court order, a transfer from another facility, the execution of a parole violation warrant or the execution of an escape warrant.
Awaiting Trial or "Detainee"	An individual who is detained prior to trial, but not yet convicted of a crime to include male and female county detainees, male county detainees transferred to state facilities under Massachusetts General Law Chapter 276, section 52A, and federal detainees (both male and female).
Civil Commitment or "Civil"	The involuntary commitment of an individual via legal means to incarcerate an individual against their will.
Court Release	Inmates released from the Massachusetts Department of Correction via court release including the following: Habeas to Court – Sentenced Habeas to Court – Did not Return Habeas to Court – Returned with new case number Court Release – Sentence revoked/stayed/vacated Bailed-Released on personal recognizance Bailed/Released on personal recognizance to a warrant.
Criminally Sentenced or "Sentenced"	An individual who has been found guilty of a criminal offense through legal means, and is required to be incarcerated.
Custody Population	An individual is considered to be in Massachusetts DOC custody when they are being held in a Massachusetts DOC facility.
Escape	The act by which an inmate, lawfully sentenced or admitted to the custody of the Department of Correction, leaves the confines of a correctional institution, the custody of escorting officers, or fails to return from an authorized release to the community at the designated time.
Expiration of Sentence (Release)	An inmate is discharged from his sentence at the expiration of his term, less any statutory or earned good time. Statutory good time was eliminated for all offenses committed after June 30, 1994, due to the enactment of the "Truth in Sentencing" law. Expiration of Sentence releases include: Expiration to Street Expiration to Out of State Sentence Expiration to Federal Authority Expiration to Immigration Expiration to From and After House of Correction Sentence Expiration to Warrant Expiration to From and After/Concurrent at Department of Correction Expiration to Civil Commitment.

HOC	Acronym standing for a House of Correction, i.e. county jail or correctional facility.
Jurisdiction Population	An individual is considered to be under Massachusetts DOC jurisdiction when the Commonwealth has legal authority over the individual regardless of where the inmate is being held to include those incarcerated in Massachusetts DOC facilities as well as those housed in correctional facilities outside of the Massachusetts DOC (Massachusetts Houses of Correction, other state's correctional facilities and the Federal Bureau of Prisons).
MA DOC	Acronym standing for 'Massachusetts Department of Correction', i.e. state prison.
New Court Commitment	Individuals committed by the courts to the Massachusetts Department of Correction as a result of a criminal offense. All new court commitments and those individuals who began serving new sentences (e.g., From and After Sentences) during the year are included in this category even if there was no physical release from custody when they moved from one sentence to another. Each court commitment for that individual is counted separately.
Non DOC Releases to Other Jurisdiction ("Transfer to Other Jurisdiction")	Transfers a Non DOC inmate (from a county, federal, or another state's jurisdiction) out of DOC custody back to the agency that has authority over them.
Other Admission	Inmates who return as a re-admission from a court release or as a return from escape.
Other Release	Deaths and escapes.
Parole to Street/Release from Parole Detainer	Includes both inmates released from the Massachusetts DOC to Parole supervision and a small number of those released from a temporary Parole detainer which are grouped for reporting purposes.
Parole (Releases)	<p>Inmates released on parole are under the supervision of parole while in the community and may be re-incarcerated for violating the terms of their supervision. Unless otherwise specified, parole releases may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parole to Street Parole to Out of State Sentence Parole to Federal Authority Parole to Immigration Parole to From & After HOC Sentence Parole to Warrant Parole to From & After DOC Sentence Parole to Civil Commitment <p>Release from a MA Parole Detainer (For awaiting trial detainees, this category is the only possible Parole release and is its own release category).</p>
Probation	Probation is a court-ordered sanction placed on a person convicted of a crime. The offender is allowed to remain in the community under the strict supervision of a probation officer.

Release to Street

A release to street occurs when an inmate is released from the custody of the Massachusetts DOC by way of parole or discharge to the street. Conditions warranting a release to street include: Parole, Good Conduct Discharge (GCD), and Expiration of Sentence.

Releases

A release occurs when an inmate is released from the custody of the Massachusetts DOC by way of expiration of sentence, parole, a non-DOC release to other jurisdiction, a court release or other legal release from the custody of MA DOC.

Technical Violation

A violation of parole conditions that does not necessarily constitute grounds for revoking parole or being arrested for a new offense.